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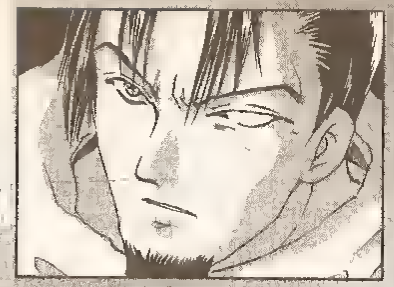
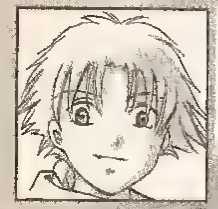
Emperor Kura

The dictator of Geo for three hundred years, he seeks to conquer the remaining worlds. He is also the master of the Nox Light, one of the living weapons.



Idou

The former bishop of Asuraitsu who now serves Geo's Kura. He is the master of the Zenith Crystal.



The Great Sage Meshie

The sage of the Fifth World. He works to prevent the outbreak of inter-dimensional war.

Enemy

The Seventh World: Geo

The victor of the Great War fought 300 years ago, this technologically advanced super-power destroyed the Ninth World and controls the Sixth World. Ruled by the Emperor Kura, the people here believe in the myth of the Princess of the Choosing.

Ruler

Neutral

The Fifth World

A neutral world composed of many small and separate territories. It is said that two of the most wise in the multi-dimensional cosmos make their home here.

The Fourth World: Telene

Once a great power on par with Geo, it currently is a spineless world kowtowing to Emperor Kura. It is enemies with Asuraitsu.

Enemy

The Sixth World: Geus

Used to be a quiet and peaceful paradise until Geo took it over.

Enemy

Guide

Destroyed

Ally

Enemy

The Eigth World: Asuraitsu

A religious state and the only one of the existing worlds that could possibly rival Geo. Idou's birthplace, Asuraitsu opposes both Geo and Telene.

The Multi-Dimensional Universe.

Dead

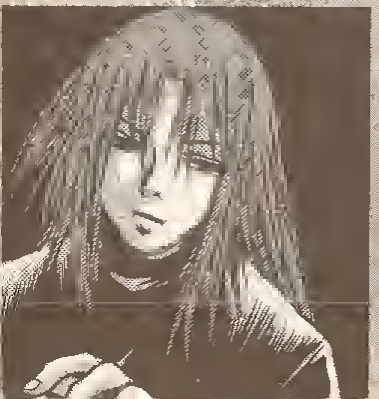
The Ninth World:

Destoryed during the Great War, the Ninth world was the birthplace of Ragunahaan. It was once allied to Telene.

Once Allies

Mad Prince Seeu

The master of the Lunatic Mercury and creator of Organic Gold, he searches for Kaguya so that she will not fall into the wrong hands.



Dead

The First World:

The most ancient of the multi-dimensional civilizations, it fell. But not before it introduced the savior myth to the multi-dimensional.

Dead

The Second World: Asu

Seeu's birthplace, this world has disintgrated so much that not even the original shape of the planet remains. It was once an ally of the Ninth World.

Isolated

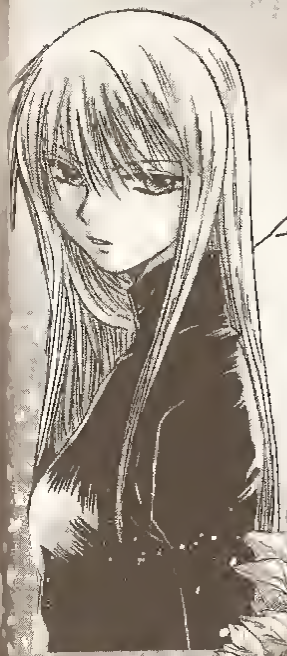
The Third World: Eden

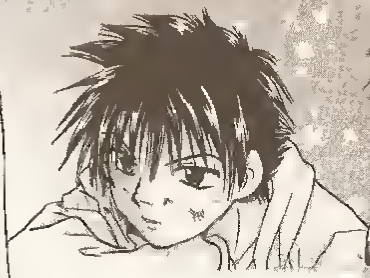
Our present day Earth and Kaguya's former residence. Believed to be the most base of all the planets, Eden is used as a penal colony for the rest of the worlds.

Character Information

Shiina Mol Bamvivirie (Bambi)

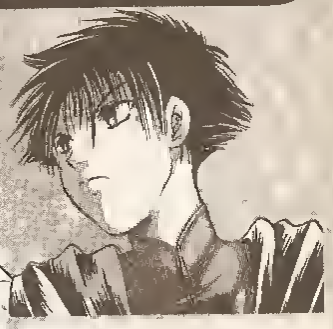
She is the daughter of Ragunahaan and the survivor of the Ninth World. She is now the capable Mistress of the living weapon, Geopyrogate.





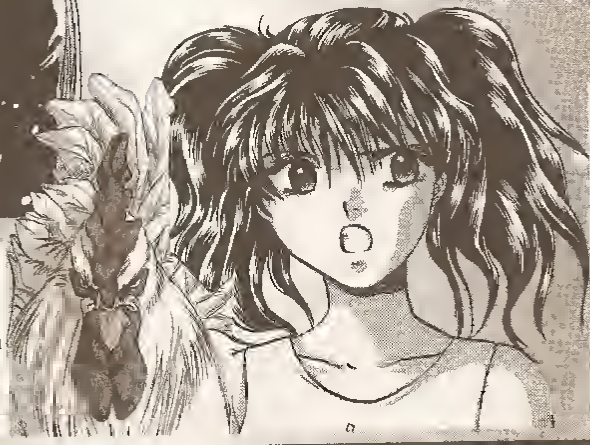
Kagami

Kagami, where for art thou, Kagami? Creator and former master of the Organic Gold, Kagami has been MIA since the Great War was fought 300 years ago. Is he dead or alive? And what exactly is his connection to Kaguya?



Gold

A living doll created by Seeu in the image of the missing Kagami. He is the current master of the living weapon, Organic Gold.



Takeyoshi Waseda

A former student of Tokyo University, Waseda was transported to Asu and his soul now lives on in a living doll. He knew the Mad Prince Seeu when he was just a boy.

Kaguya Haruyama

With no memory of her life before the age of four, this blue-eyed, black-haired beauty was taken from her home on the planet we call Earth. She is said to be the "Girl of Ananai," the key to the future of the multidimensional universes, the Princess of the Choosing.

The Story Until Now...

After being rudely stolen away from her annoying but comfortable family in Japan, Kaguya learns of the existence of nine separate Earths, each in its own dimension. Why didn't they mention this multi-dimensional universe in her high school cosmology class? It turns out that all of these Earths are doomed to destruction... all except one. But which one survives is up to the whim of the fabled Princess of the Choosing. At first, Kaguya didn't understand the significance of her destiny. But when the gravity of her role came into focus, Kaguya began to take her life more seriously. It is then that she met the Great Sage Meshie who transported her, along with the Mad Prince Seeu, to the Fifth World. Meanwhile, Bambi, Kaguya's one-time travel partner, inherits the fabled Geopyrogate under the scrutinizing gaze of Kura, the Emperor of Geo, the Seventh World. Cursed with the imminent threat of destruction looming in the horizon, will the entire multi-dimensional universe again erupt into full blown war?

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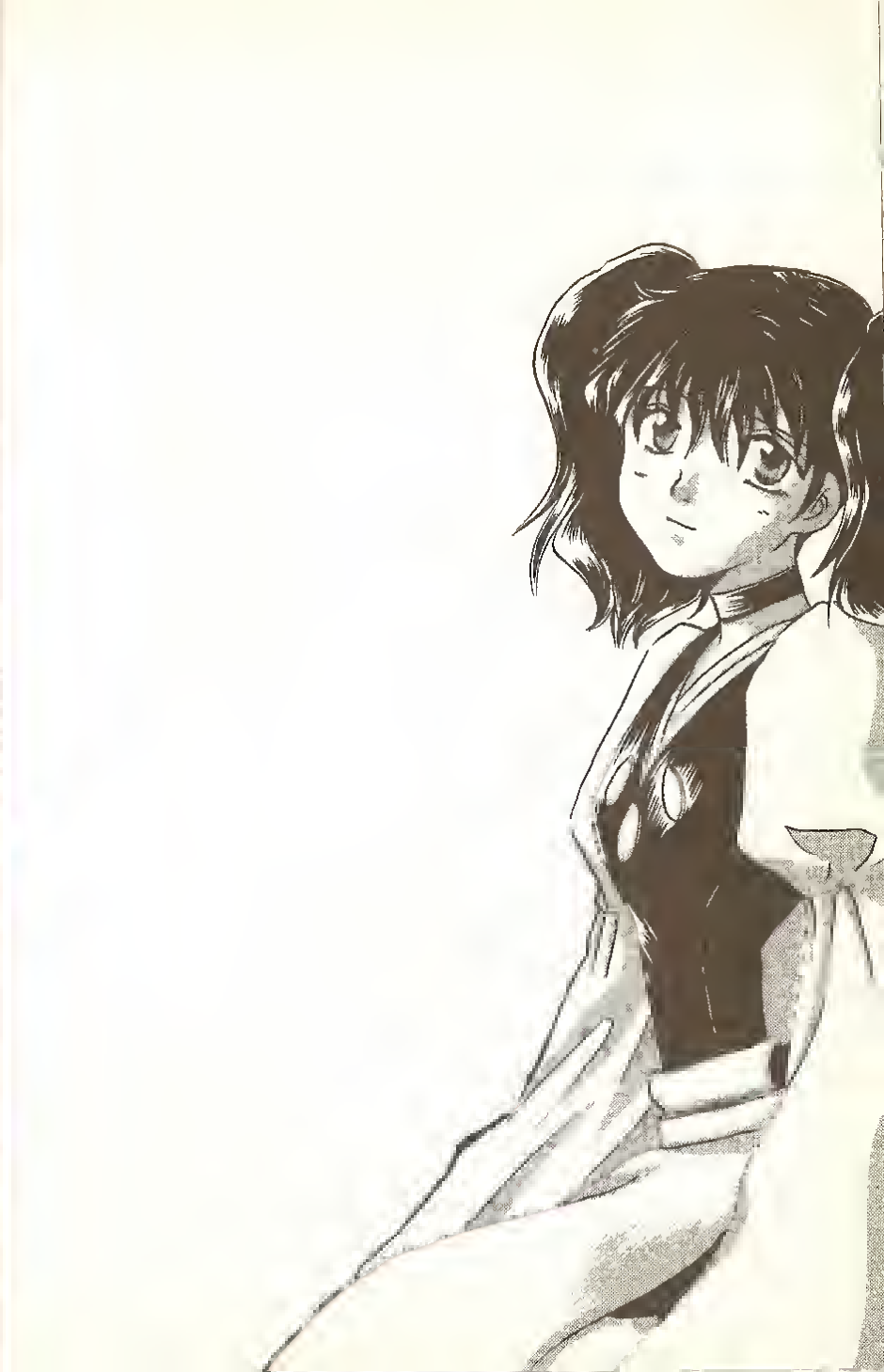
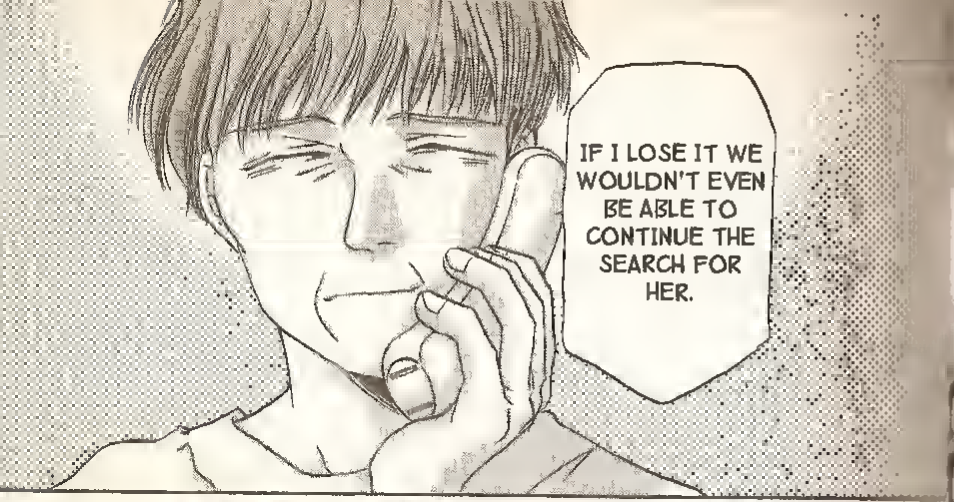
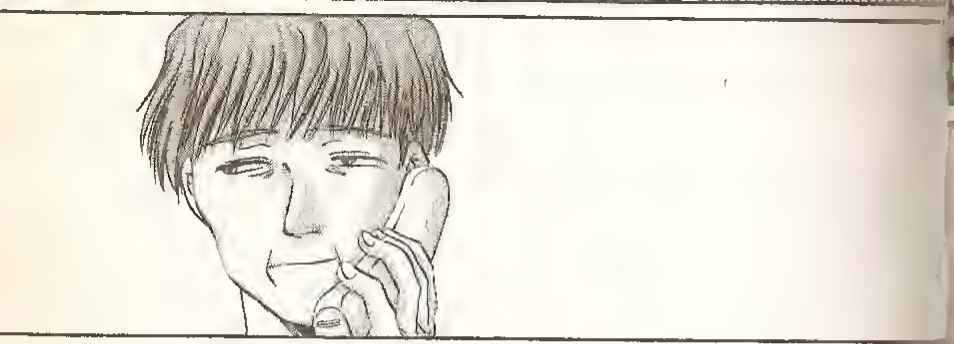


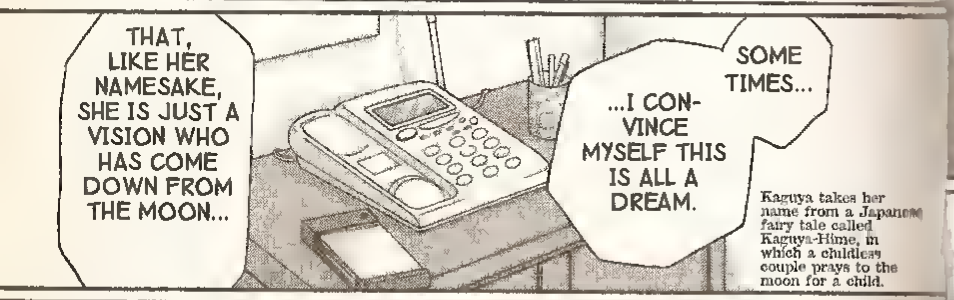
GUESS WHAT?!
WANT TO KNOW A SECRET?

I PROMISE TO COME FOR YOU SOON... WE'RE GOING TO CHANGE EVERY-THING...
...MY LITTLE SISTER AND I.

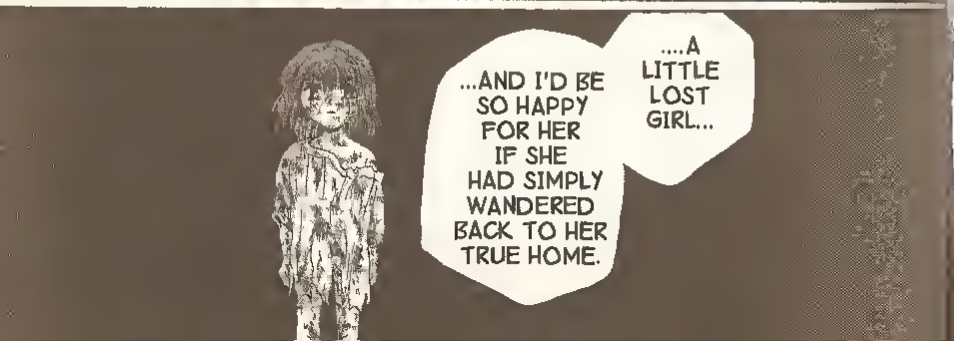
I'M GOING TO HAVE A SISTER.
A BABY SISTER!
...GOLD?
HEY...



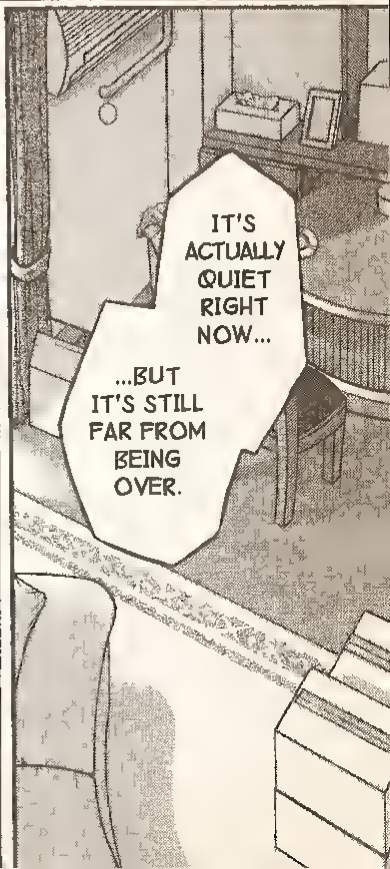


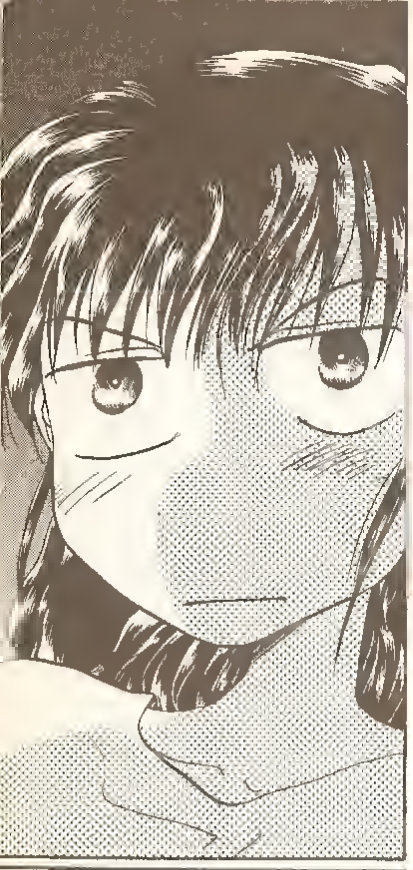


Kaguya takes her name from a Japanese fairy tale called Kaguya-Hime, in which a childless couple prays to the moon for a child.

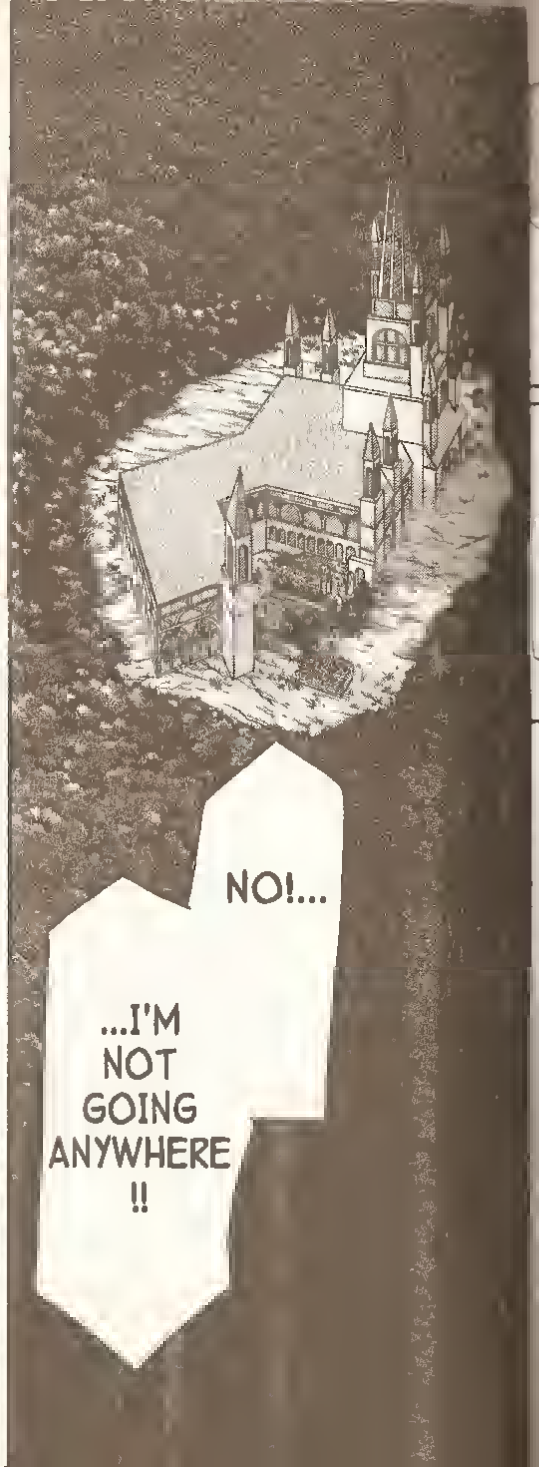


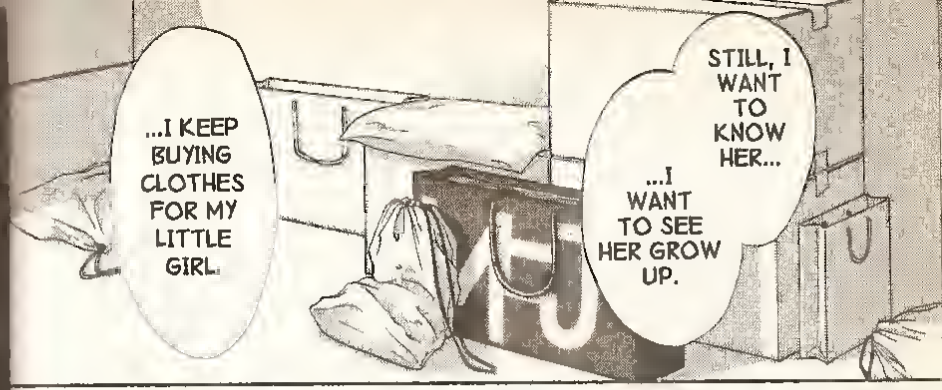
WELL, I GUESS I HAVE TO KEEP IT TOGETHER. IF I DIDN'T, THE WHOLE FAMILY WOULD FALL APART.
IT TURNS OUT THAT MY HUSBAND IS A MUCH WEAKER PERSON THAN I THOUGHT.



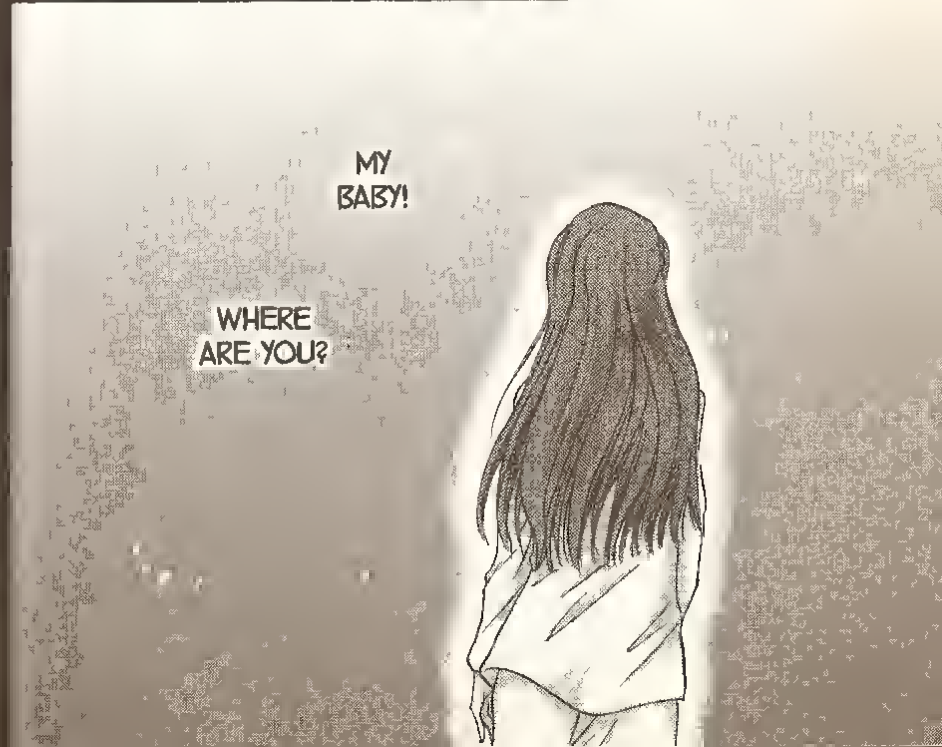


...YOU'RE A STUBBORN ONE, AREN'T YOU?
YOU COULD SAY THAT.


NO!...
...I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE !!

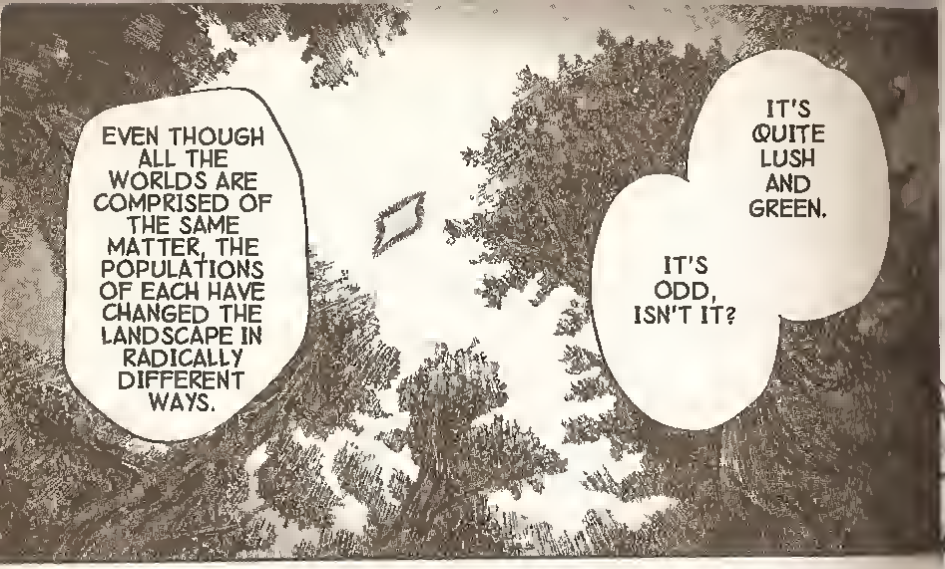

...I KEEP BUYING CLOTHES FOR MY LITTLE GIRL.
STILL, I WANT TO KNOW HER...
...I WANT TO SEE HER GROW UP.

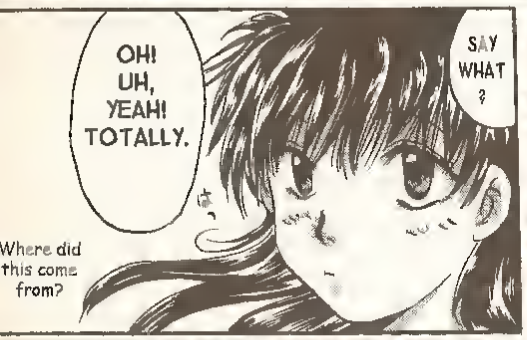
I NEVER ASKED HER...
I WONDER WHAT SHE WILL CHOOSE FOR HERSELF TO WEAR?
...THE WAY THAT I WANTED HER TO DRESS.
WHEN SHE WAS A CHILD, I USED TO DRESS HER UP...


MY BABY!
WHERE ARE YOU?

YOU'RE JUST IN SHOCK.
WELL, TECHNICALLY, YOU'VE GOT SEEU TO BLAME FOR THE KIDNAPPING. DON'T YOU?
WHAT ?!
OH YEAH, FORGOT, SORRY!!
AND AS LONG AS WE'RE TALKING TECHNICALITIES, LET US NOT FORGET THAT I SAVED YOUR LIFE.
HMM
HOW ABOUT YOU TRY TO TAKE IT EASY, HUH?
OKAY. IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANNA CALL IT.

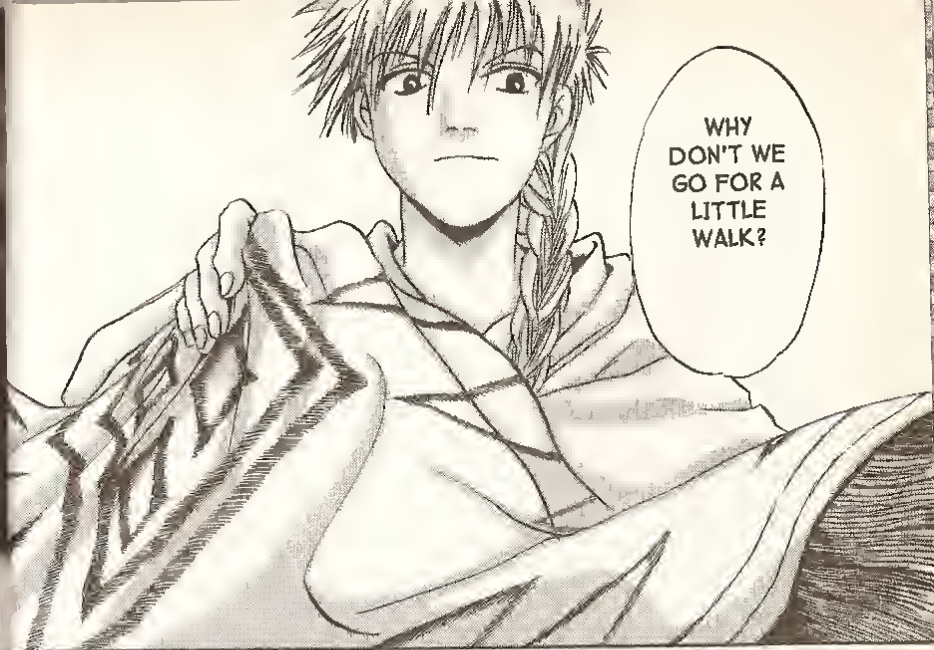
YOU'RE ALL TOTALLY SELFISH, TOO!!
BUT ONLY BECAUSE YOU PEOPLE ARE HORRIBLE!
...AND STILL YOU FORCE ME TO COME WITH YOU TO THIS GOD FORSAKEN PLACE.
ALL I CAN DO IS WORRY ABOUT BAMBI-CHAN AND WASEDA -SAN. . .
...NO ONE EVEN STOPS FOR A SECOND TO ASK WHAT I WANT OR NEED! GEE, WHY BOTHER? WHO CARES, RIGHT?
WASN'T IT ENOUGH TO BRUTALLY KIDNAP ME? I GUESS NOT, OH NO...


EVEN THOUGH ALL THE WORLDS ARE COMPRISED OF THE SAME MATTER, THE POPULATIONS OF EACH HAVE CHANGED THE LANDSCAPE IN RADICALLY DIFFERENT WAYS.
IT'S QUITE LUSH AND GREEN.
IT'S ODD, ISN'T IT?


OH! UH, YEAH! TOTALLY.
SAY WHAT?
Where did this come from?

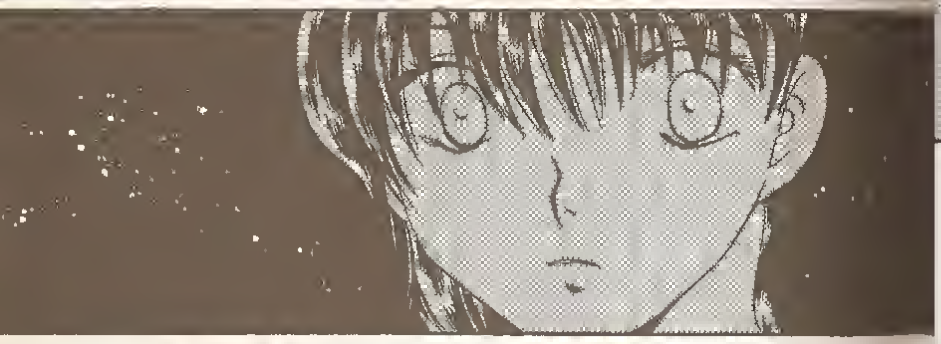
SHIINA MOL BAMVIVIRIE... WAS IT?

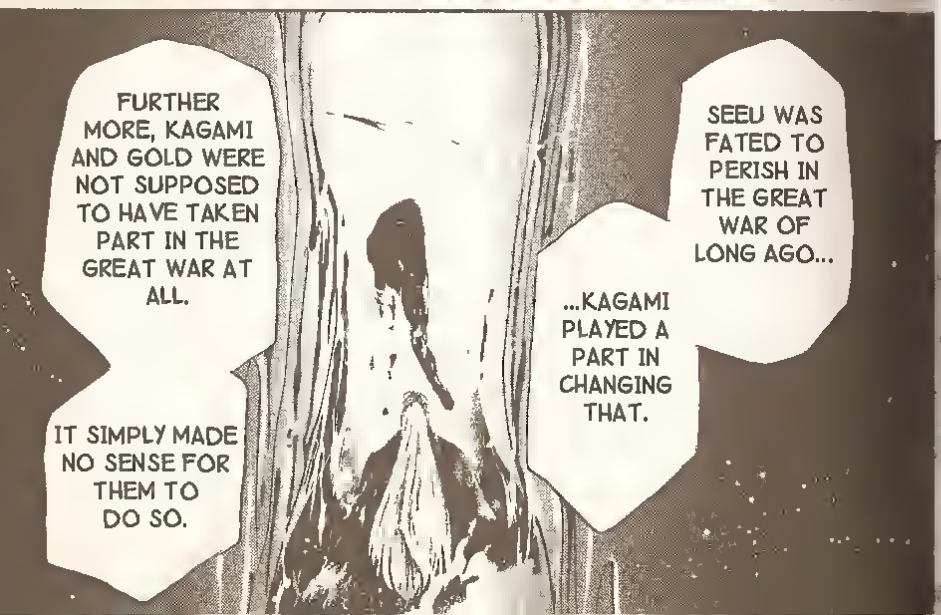
YES! THIS IS SO COOL!
A FLYING CARPET!
DID YOU CATCH ANY OF THAT?

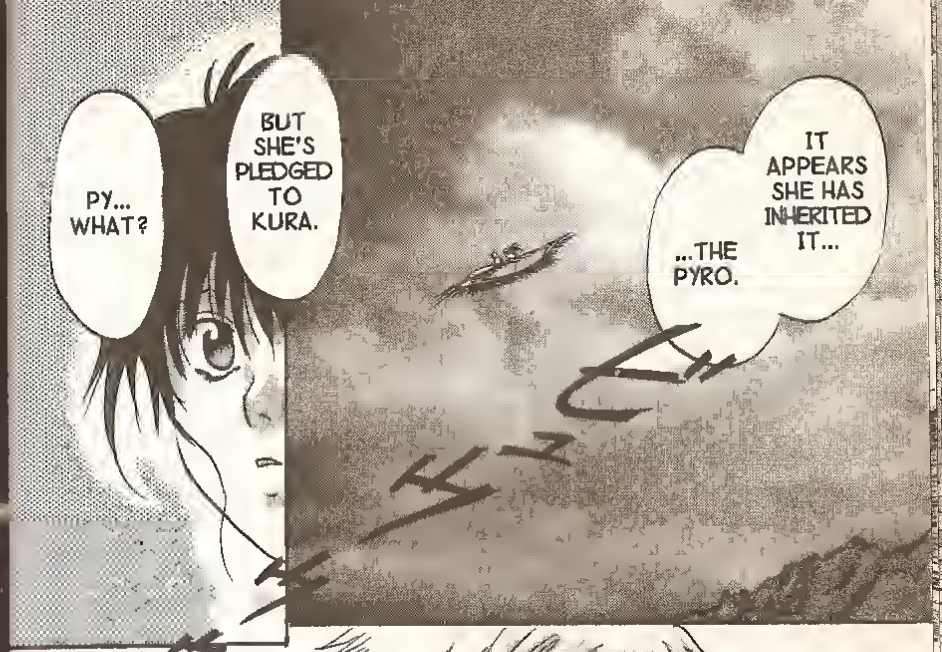

WHY DON'T WE GO FOR A LITTLE WALK?

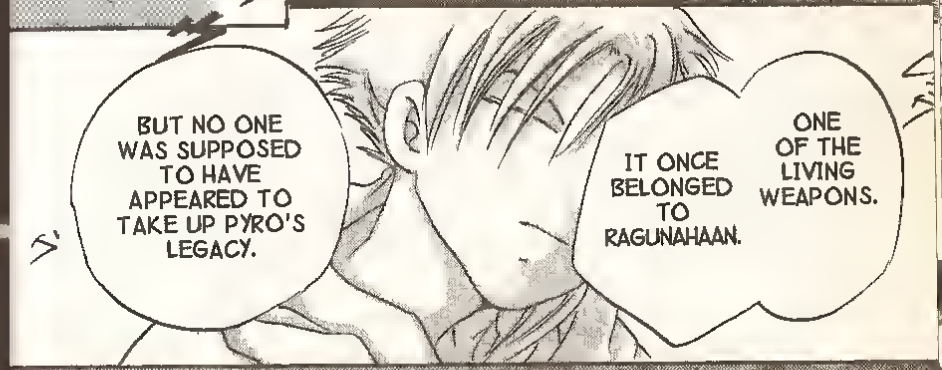
ON A CARPET? WHOA!
Where did this come from?
WELCOME TO THE FIFTH WORLD

BUT YOU HAVE CHANGED ALL THIS...
...PRINCESS KAGUYA.
SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE REJECTED HER INHERITANCE.




FURTHER MORE, KAGAMI AND GOLD WERE NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE TAKEN PART IN THE GREAT WAR AT ALL.
IT SIMPLY MADE NO SENSE FOR THEM TO DO SO.
SEEU WAS FATED TO PERISH IN THE GREAT WAR OF LONG AGO...
...KAGAMI PLAYED A PART IN CHANGING THAT.

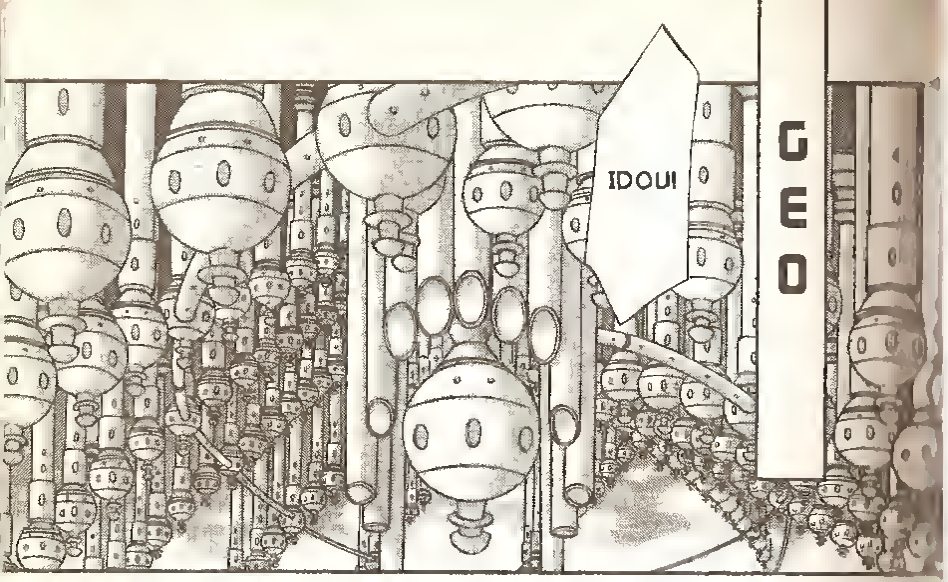

PY... WHAT?
BUT SHE'S PLEDGED TO KURA.
...THE PYRO.
IT APPEARS SHE HAS INHERITED IT...

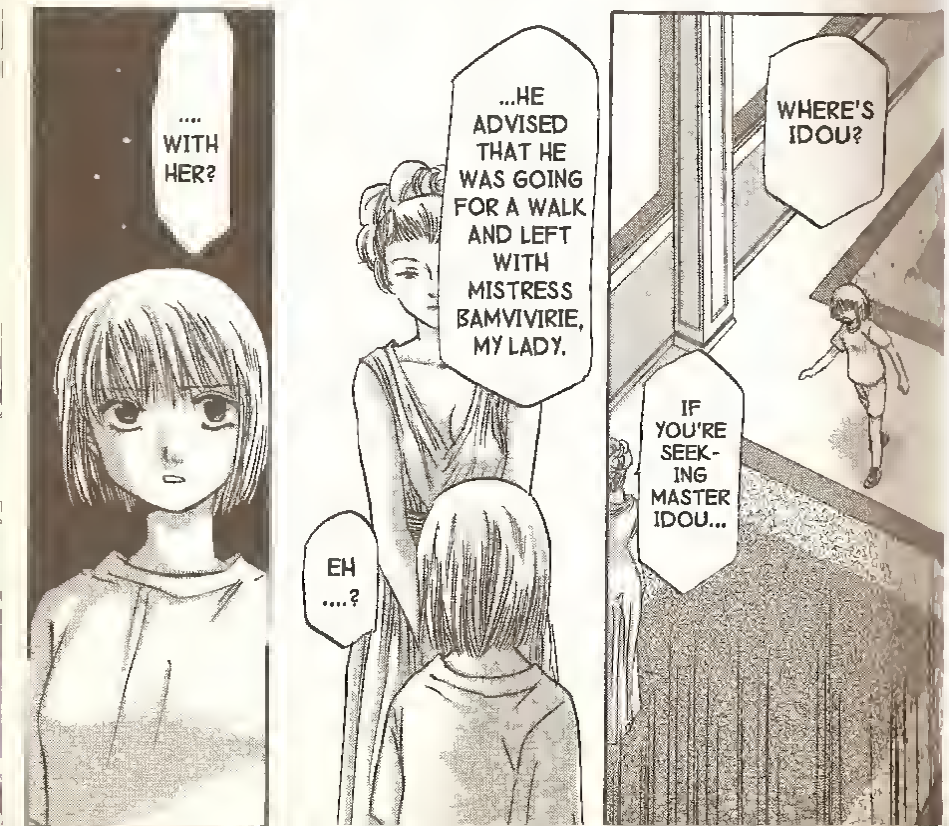

BUT NO ONE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE APPEARED TO TAKE UP PYRO'S LEGACY.
IT ONCE BELONGED TO RAGUNAHAAN.
ONE OF THE LIVING WEAPONS.

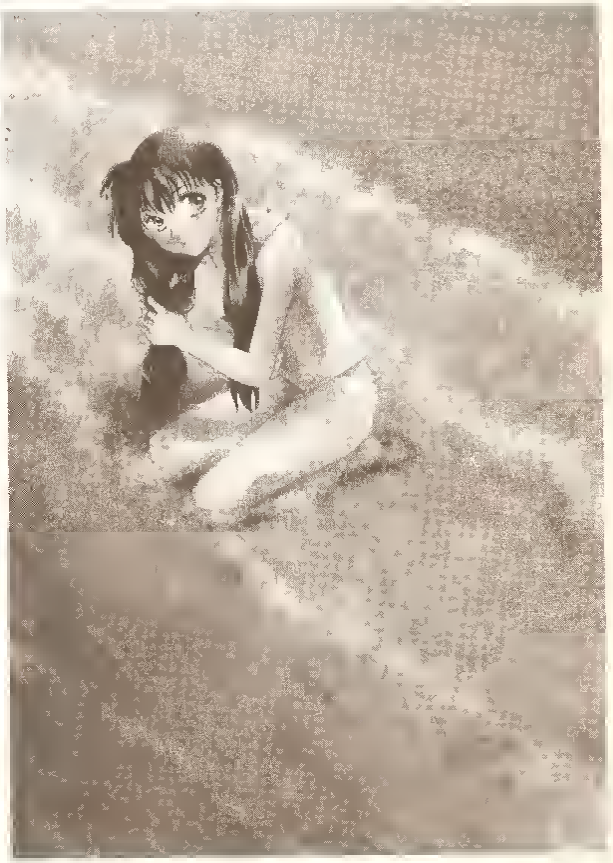
THE NAME SHIINA MOL BAMVIVIRIE WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN RECORDED IN HISTORY.
ONE MORE TIME, SLOWER...

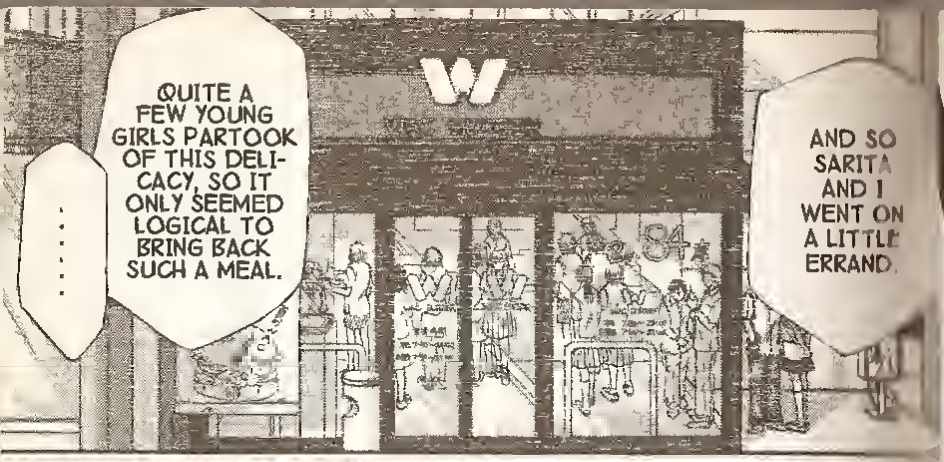
IT'S AS IF HE SAW THE FUTURE...
...THAT KAGAMI.
THOUGH OMNISCIENT OF THE FATES OF THE WORLDS...
...STILL HE STOOD BEFORE US THAT FATEFUL DAY, UPON THAT FATEFUL PLAIN.

WHY...
...NO ONE IN ALL THE WORLDS CAN TELL YOUR FUTURE?
KNOW YOU...
...WHY ALL THE CARDS TURN BLANK BEFORE YOU?
...YOU ARE THE PRINCESS OF THE CHOOSING.
IT IS BECAUSE ...
AND WHY KAGAMI...
...HE HOLDS THE KEY TO ALL THOSE THINGS THAT NO ONE COULD HAVE POSSIBLY FORESEEN.
The Emperor Kura
...I JUST CAN'T GET RID OF THIS FEELING THAT...
KAGAMI. SOMEHOW ...

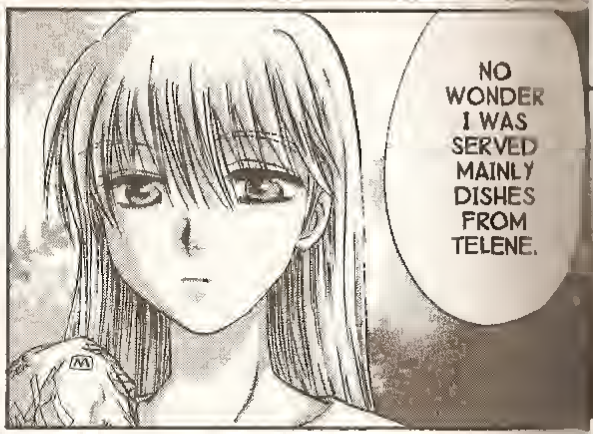

IDOU!
GEO

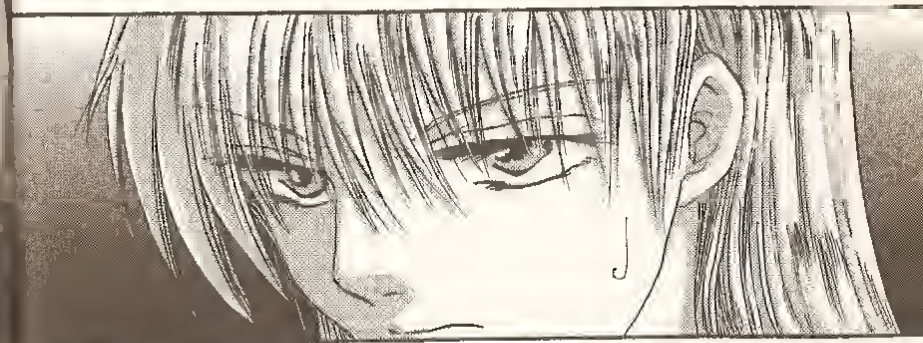

....
WITH HER?
...HE ADVISED THAT HE WAS GOING FOR A WALK AND LEFT WITH MISTRESS BAMVIVIRIE, MY LADY.
EH ....?
WHERE'S IDOU?
IF YOU'RE SEEK-ING MASTER IDOU...




QUITE A FEW YOUNG GIRLS PARTOOK OF THIS DELICACY, SO IT ONLY SEEMED LOGICAL TO BRING BACK SUCH A MEAL.
.....
AND SO SARITA AND I WENT ON A LITTLE ERRAND.

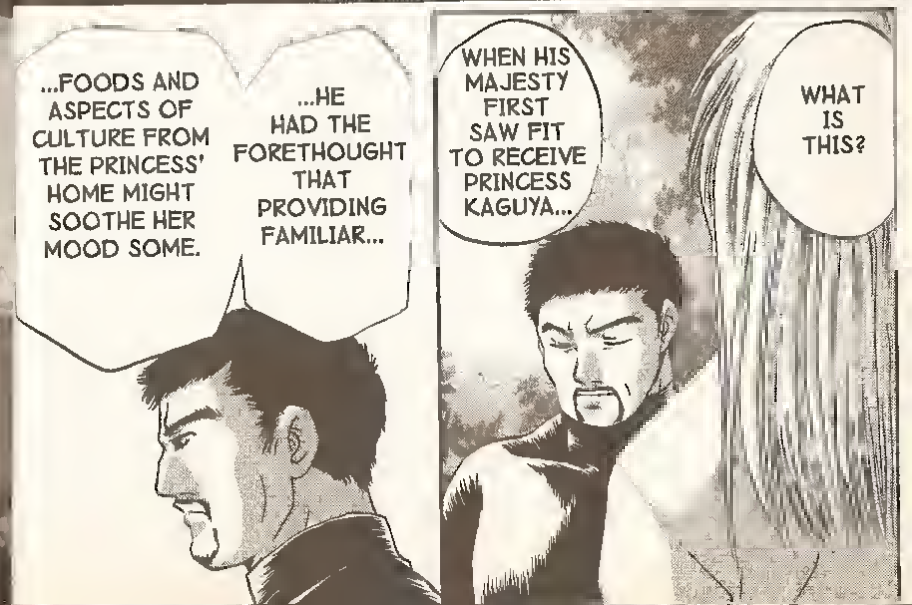
CONTRARY TO BELIEF, HE'S ACTUALLY QUITE INTUITIVE, YOU KNOW.
SO IT SEEMS.

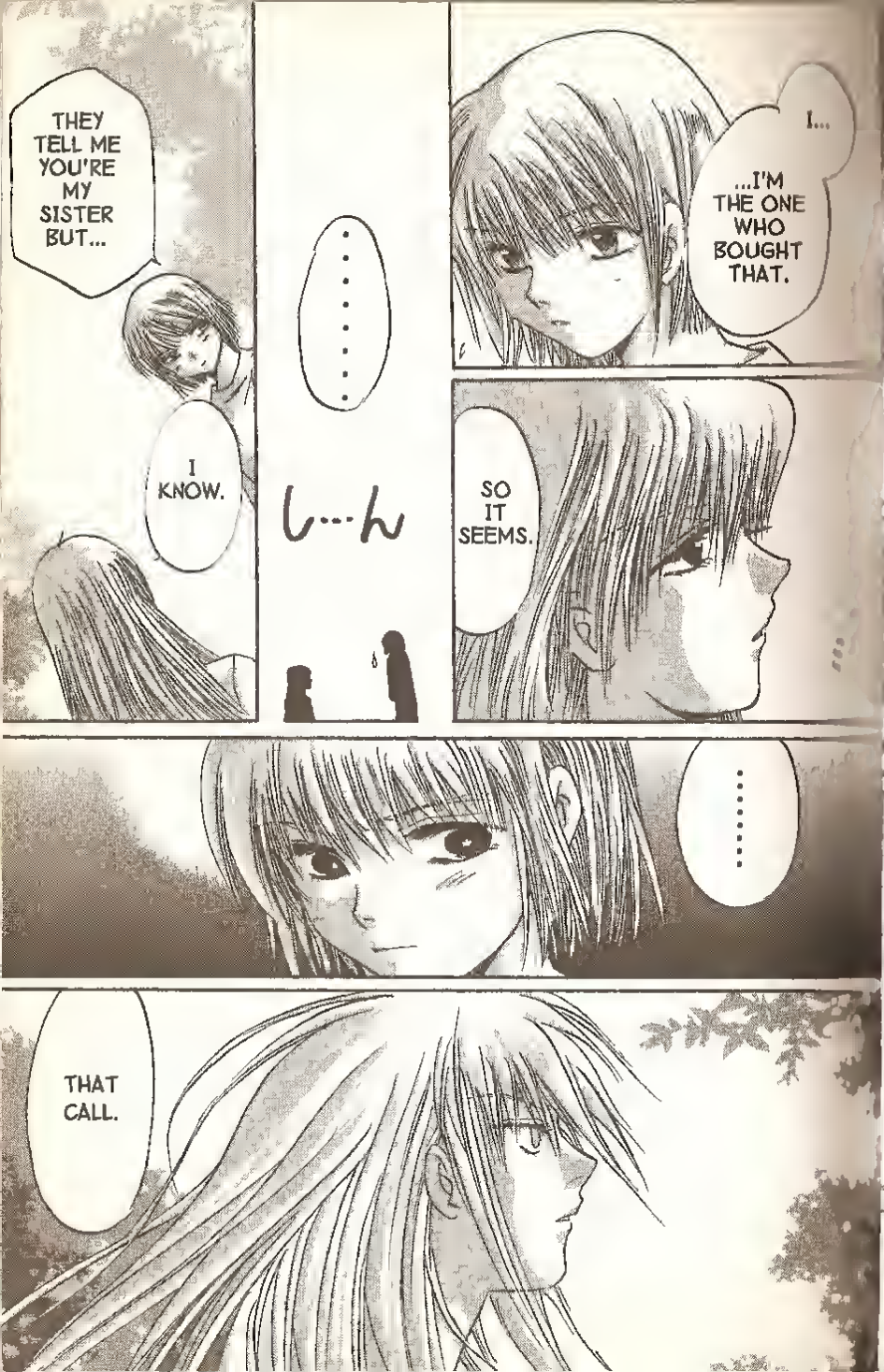

NO WONDER I WAS SERVED MAINLY DISHES FROM TELENE.

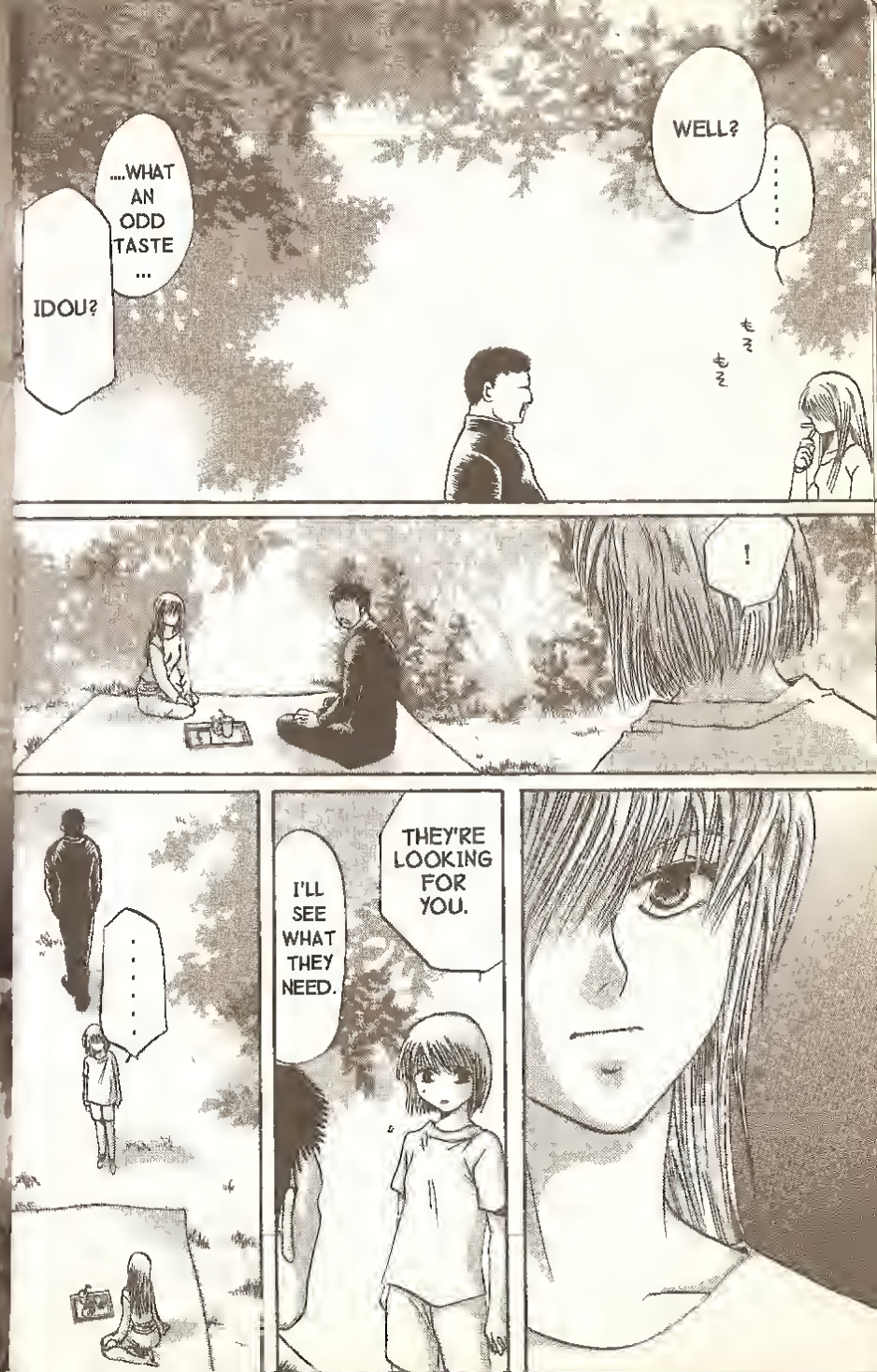


IT LOOKS PRETTY BAD.
What a strange smell it has.
WE FROZE IT IMMEDIATELY TO PRESERVE IT'S FLAVOR. IT SHOULD STILL TASTE AS FRESH AS THE DAY WE BOUGHT IT...

I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE SURVIVED ON SOMETHING LIKE THIS?


...FOODS AND ASPECTS OF CULTURE FROM THE PRINCESS' HOME MIGHT SOOTHE HER MOOD SOME.
...HE HAD THE FORETHOUGHT THAT PROVIDING FAMILIAR...
WHEN HIS MAJESTY FIRST SAW FIT TO RECEIVE PRINCESS KAGUYA...
WHAT IS THIS?


THEY TELL ME YOU'RE MY SISTER BUT...
I KNOW.
.....
I...
...I'M THE ONE WHO BOUGHT THAT.
SO IT SEEMS.
.....
THAT CALL.


WELL?
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....WHAT AN ODD TASTE ...
IDOU?
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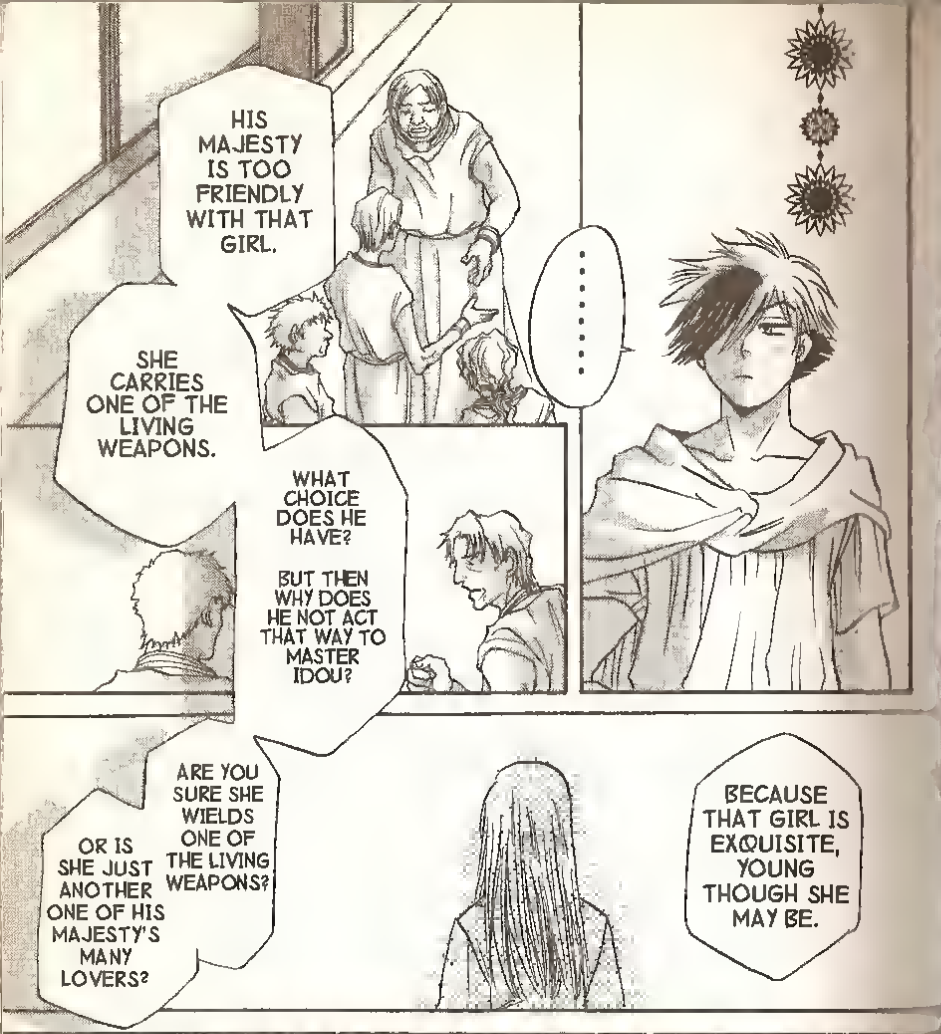
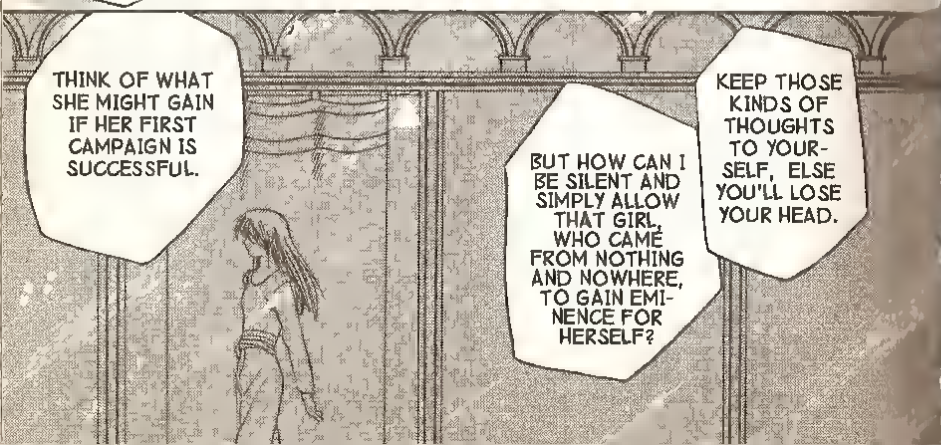
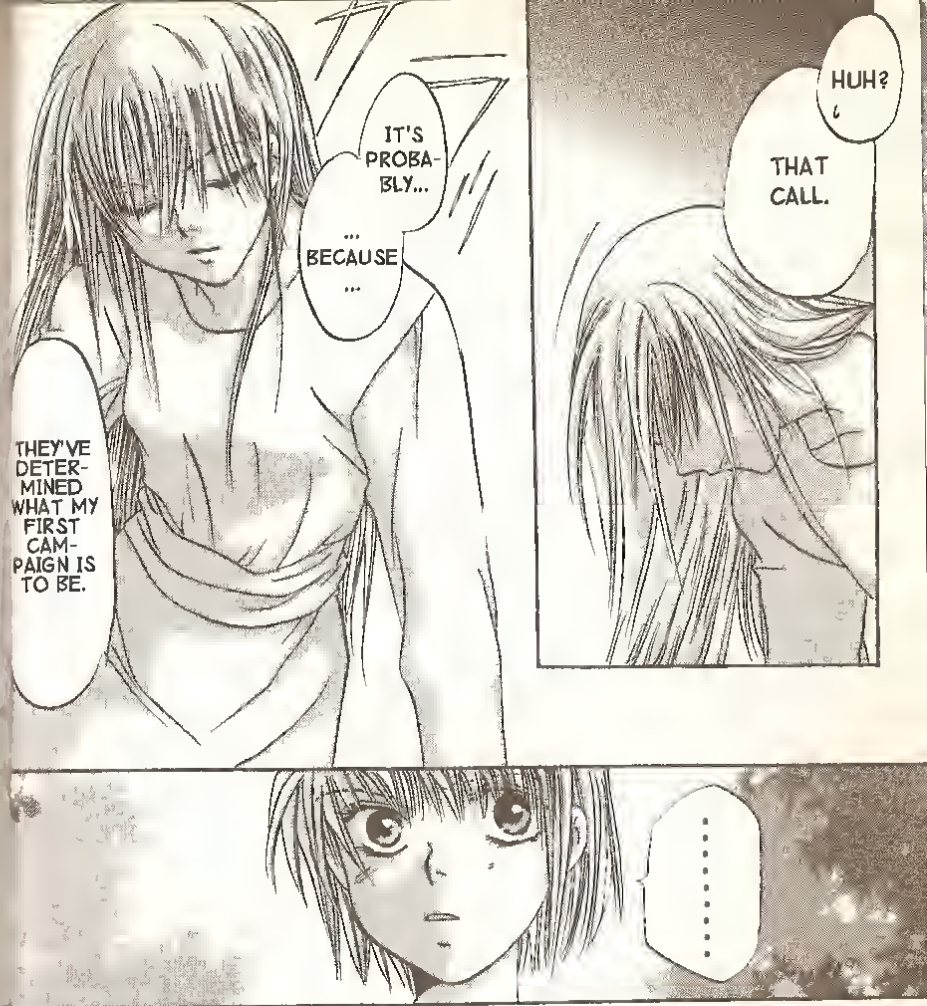
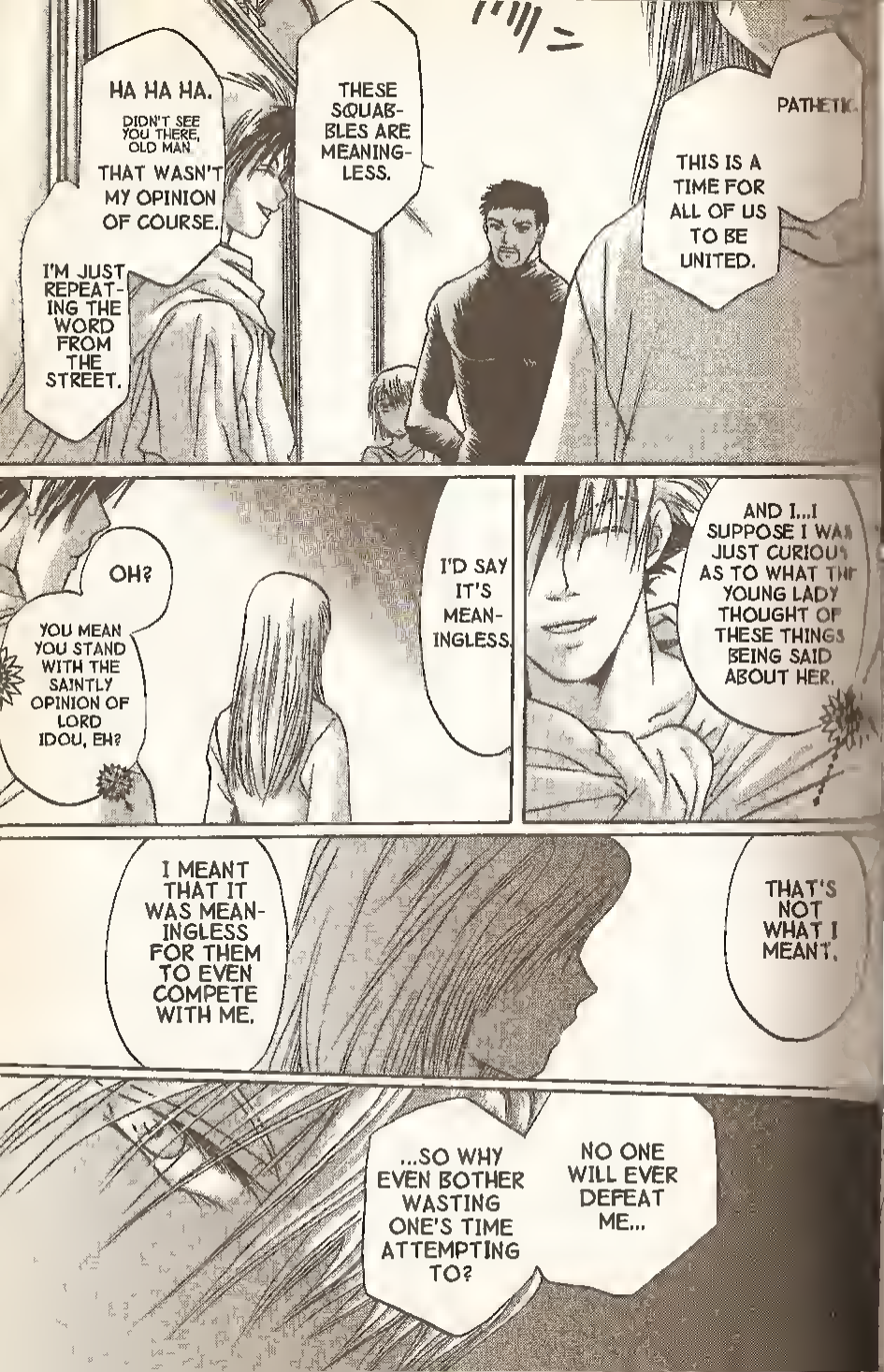
.....
I'LL SEE WHAT THEY NEED.
THEY'RE LOOKING FOR YOU.

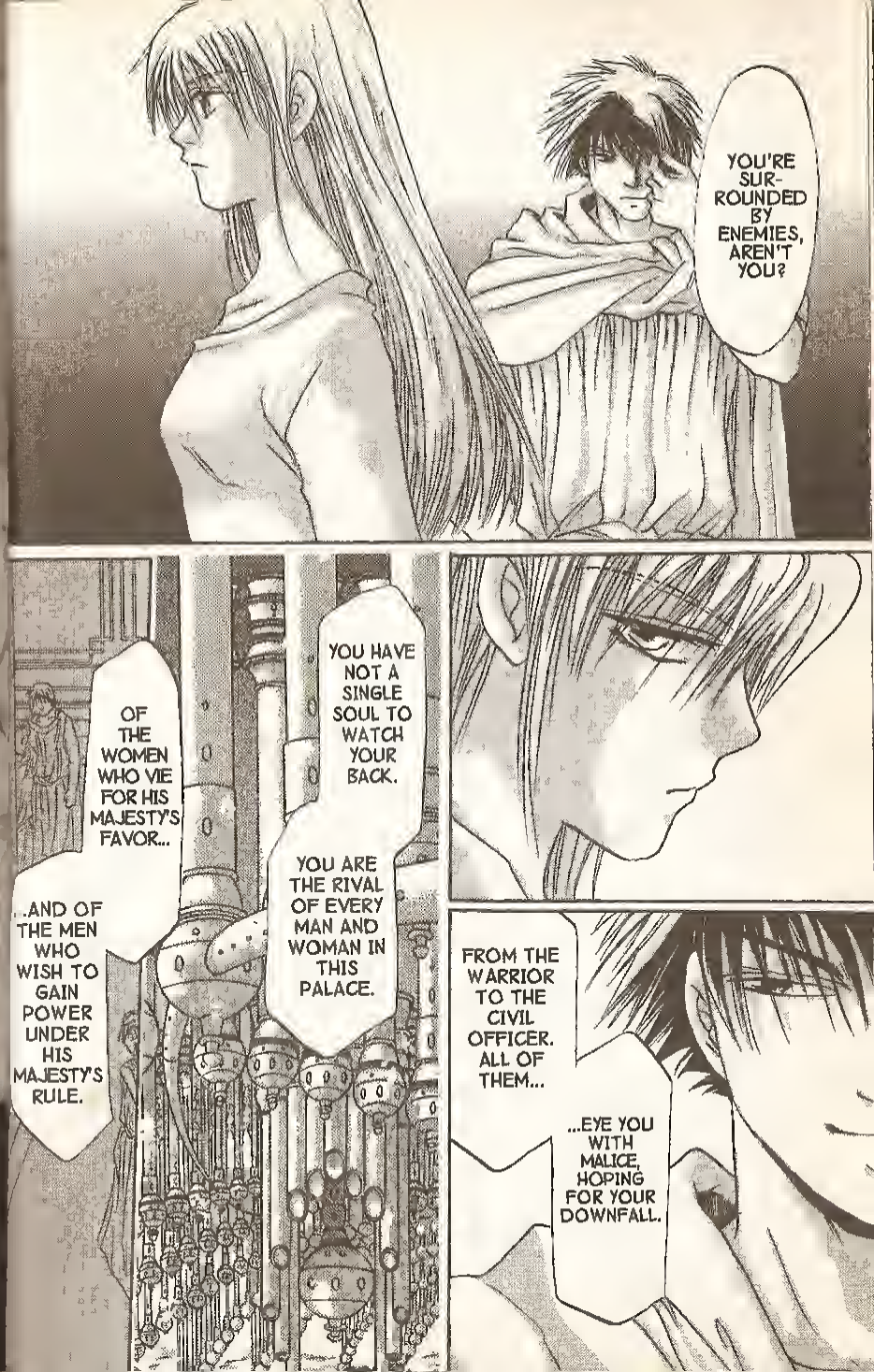

HIS MAJESTY IS TOO FRIENDLY WITH THAT GIRL.
SHE CARRIES ONE OF THE LIVING WEAPONS.
WHAT CHOICE DOES HE HAVE?
BUT THEN WHY DOES HE NOT ACT THAT WAY TO MASTER IDOU?
ARE YOU SURE SHE WIELDS ONE OF THE LIVING WEAPONS?
OR IS SHE JUST ANOTHER ONE OF HIS MAJESTY'S MANY LOVERS?
BECAUSE THAT GIRL IS EXQUISITE, YOUNG THOUGH SHE MAY BE.

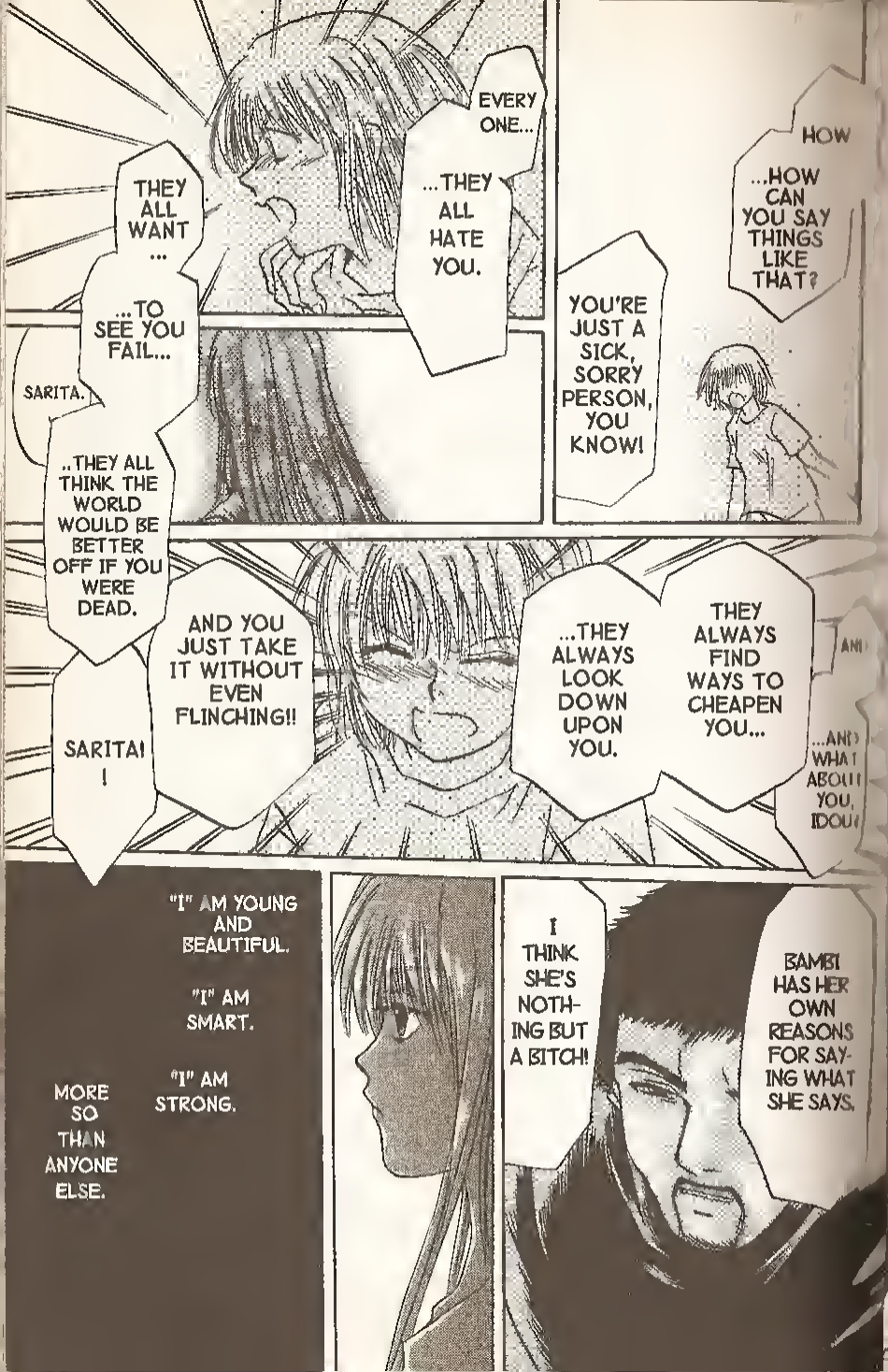

THINK OF WHAT SHE MIGHT GAIN IF HER FIRST CAMPAIGN IS SUCCESSFUL.
BUT HOW CAN I BE SILENT AND SIMPLY ALLOW THAT GIRL, WHO CAME FROM NOTHING AND NOWHERE, TO GAIN EMINENCE FOR HERSELF?
KEEP THOSE KINDS OF THOUGHTS TO YOURSELF, ELSE YOU'LL LOSE YOUR HEAD.


THEY'VE DETERMINED WHAT MY FIRST CAMPAIGN IS TO BE.
IT'S PROBABLY...
...BECAUSE...
HUH?
THAT CALL.

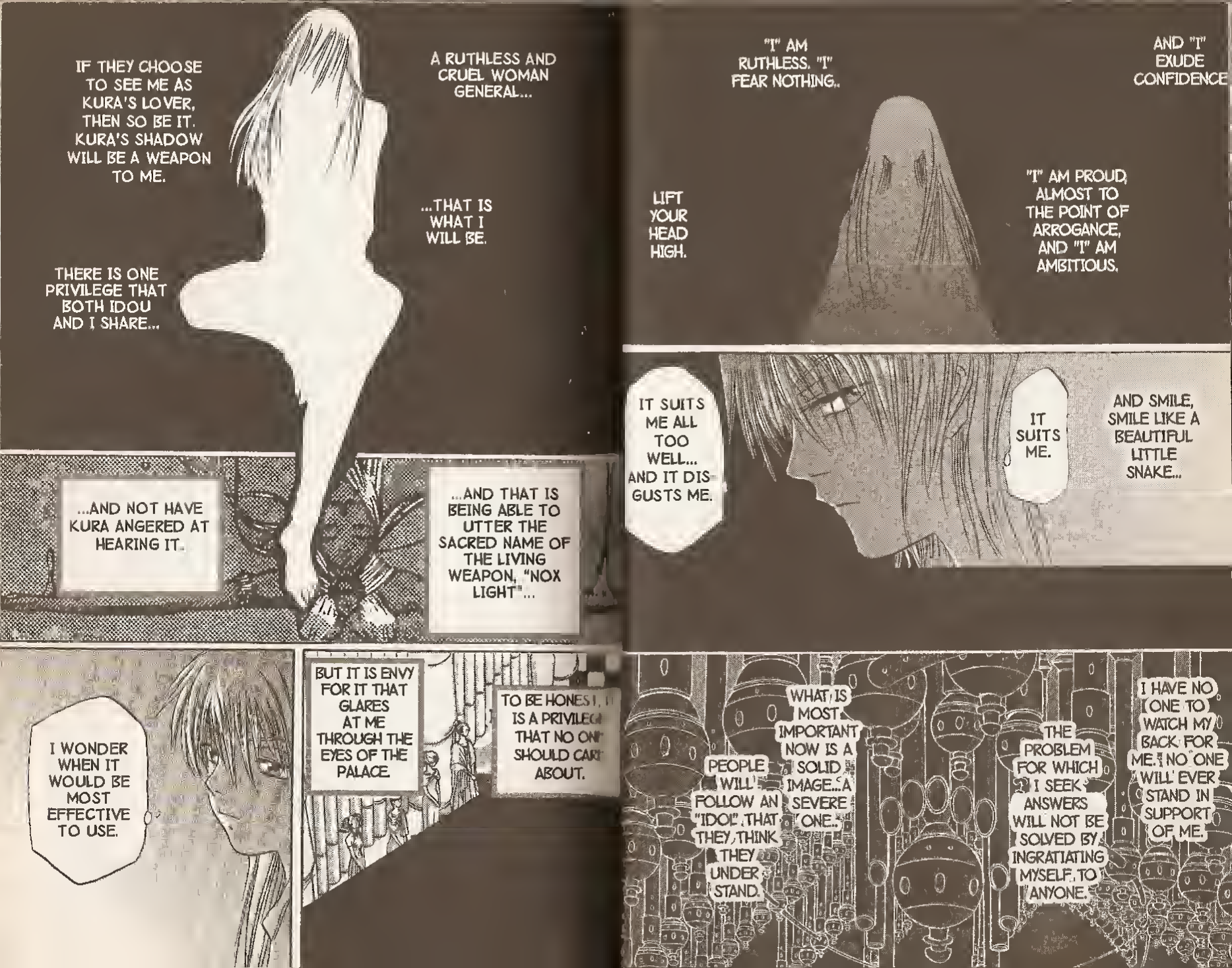
...IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.
THE WAR...

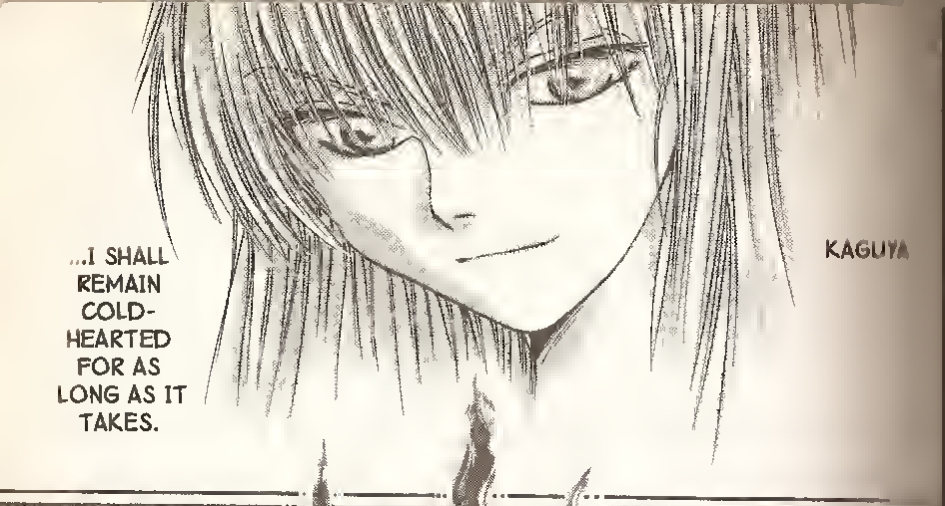

HA HA HA.
DIDN'T SEE YOU THERE, OLD MAN.
THAT WASN'T MY OPINION OF COURSE.
I'M JUST REPEATING THE WORD FROM THE STREET.
THESE SQUABBLES ARE MEANINGLESS.
PATHETIC.
THIS IS A TIME FOR ALL OF US TO BE UNITED.
OH?
YOU MEAN YOU STAND WITH THE SAINTLY OPINION OF LORD IDOU, EH?
I'D SAY IT'S MEANINGLESS.
AND I...I SUPPOSE I WAS JUST CURIOUS AS TO WHAT THE YOUNG LADY THOUGHT OF THESE THINGS BEING SAID ABOUT HER.
I MEANT THAT IT WAS MEANINGLESS FOR THEM TO EVEN COMPETE WITH ME.
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.
...SO WHY EVEN BOTHER WASTING ONE'S TIME ATTEMPTING TO?
NO ONE WILL EVER DEFEAT ME...


YOU'RE SURROUNDED BY ENEMIES, AREN'T YOU?
OF THE WOMEN WHO VIE FOR HIS MAJESTY'S FAVOR...
...AND OF THE MEN WHO WISH TO GAIN POWER UNDER HIS MAJESTY'S RULE.
YOU HAVE NOT A SINGLE SOUL TO WATCH YOUR BACK.
YOU ARE THE RIVAL OF EVERY MAN AND WOMAN IN THIS PALACE.
FROM THE WARRIOR TO THE CIVIL OFFICER. ALL OF THEM...
...EYE YOU WITH MALICE, HOPING FOR YOUR DOWNFALL.

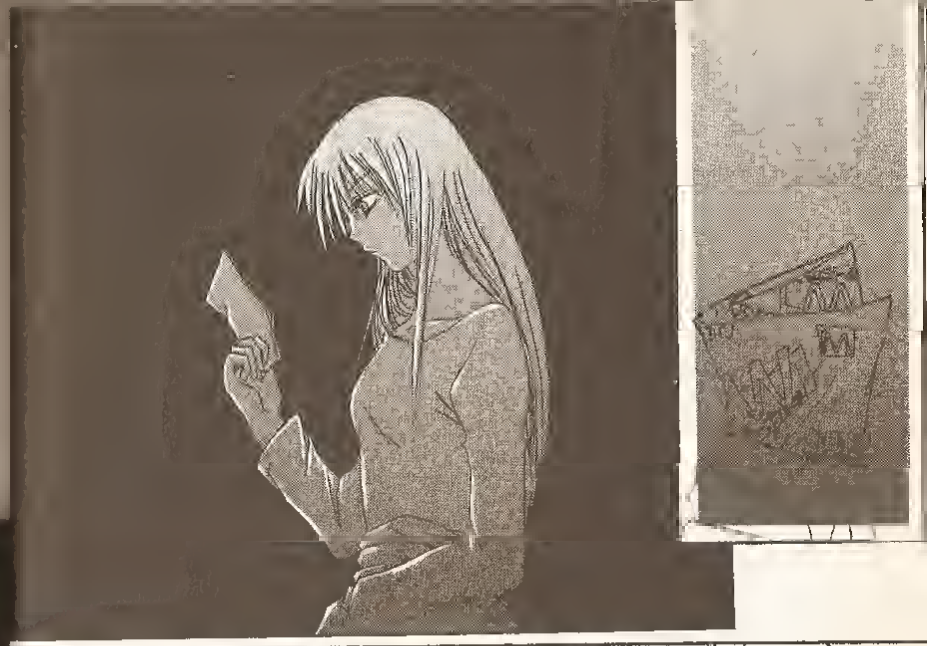

EVERY ONE...
...THEY ALL HATE YOU.
THEY ALL WANT ...
...TO SEE YOU FAIL...
SARITA.
..THEY ALL THINK THE WORLD WOULD BE BETTER OFF IF YOU WERE DEAD.
SARITA! !
AND YOU JUST TAKE IT WITHOUT EVEN FLINCHING!!
HOW ...HOW CAN YOU SAY THINGS LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE JUST A SICK, SORRY PERSON, YOU KNOW!
...THEY ALWAYS LOOK DOWN UPON YOU.
THEY ALWAYS FIND WAYS TO CHEAPEN YOU...
AND
...AND WHAT ABOUT YOU, IDOU?
"I" AM YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL.
"I" AM SMART.
"I" AM STRONG.
MORE SO THAN ANYONE ELSE.
I THINK SHE'S NOTH-ING BUT A BITCH!
BAMBI HAS HER OWN REASONS FOR SAY-ING WHAT SHE SAYS.

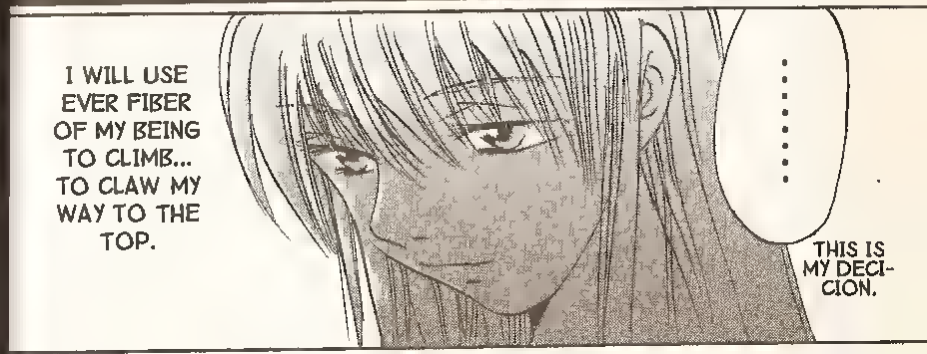
PATHETIC.
HOW DARE THEY QUESTION MY POSITION ON GEO?
I AWAIT YOUR ATTEMPT WITH BAITED BREATH.
DEIMION SHUMEH, ARE YOU TRULY CLEVER ENOUGH TO DEFEAT ME?


IF THEY CHOOSE TO SEE ME AS KURA'S LOVER, THEN SO BE IT. KURA'S SHADOW WILL BE A WEAPON TO ME.
A RUTHLESS AND CRUEL WOMAN GENERAL...
...THAT IS WHAT I WILL BE.
THERE IS ONE PRIVILEGE THAT BOTH IDOU AND I SHARE...
...AND NOT HAVE KURA ANGERED AT HEARING IT.
...AND THAT IS BEING ABLE TO UTTER THE SACRED NAME OF THE LIVING WEAPON, "NOX LIGHT"...
"I" AM RUTHLESS. "I" FEAR NOTHING..
AND "I" EXUDE CONFIDENCE
LIFT YOUR HEAD HIGH.
"I" AM PROUD, ALMOST TO THE POINT OF ARROGANCE, AND "I" AM AMBITIOUS.
IT SUITS ME ALL TOO WELL... AND IT DISGUSTS ME.
IT SUITS ME.
AND SMILE, SMILE LIKE A BEAUTIFUL LITTLE SNAKE...
I WONDER WHEN IT WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE TO USE.
BUT IT IS ENVY FOR IT THAT GLARES AT ME THROUGH THE EYES OF THE PALACE.
TO BE HONEST, IT IS A PRIVILEGE THAT NO ONE SHOULD CARE ABOUT.
PEOPLE WILL FOLLOW AN "IDOL" THAT THEY THINK THEY UNDERSTAND.
WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT NOW IS A SOLID IMAGE...A SEVERE ONE..
THE PROBLEM FOR WHICH I SEEK ANSWERS WILL NOT BE SOLVED BY INGRATIATING MYSELF TO ANYONE.
I HAVE NO ONE TO WATCH MY BACK FOR ME. NO ONE WILL EVER STAND IN SUPPORT OF ME.

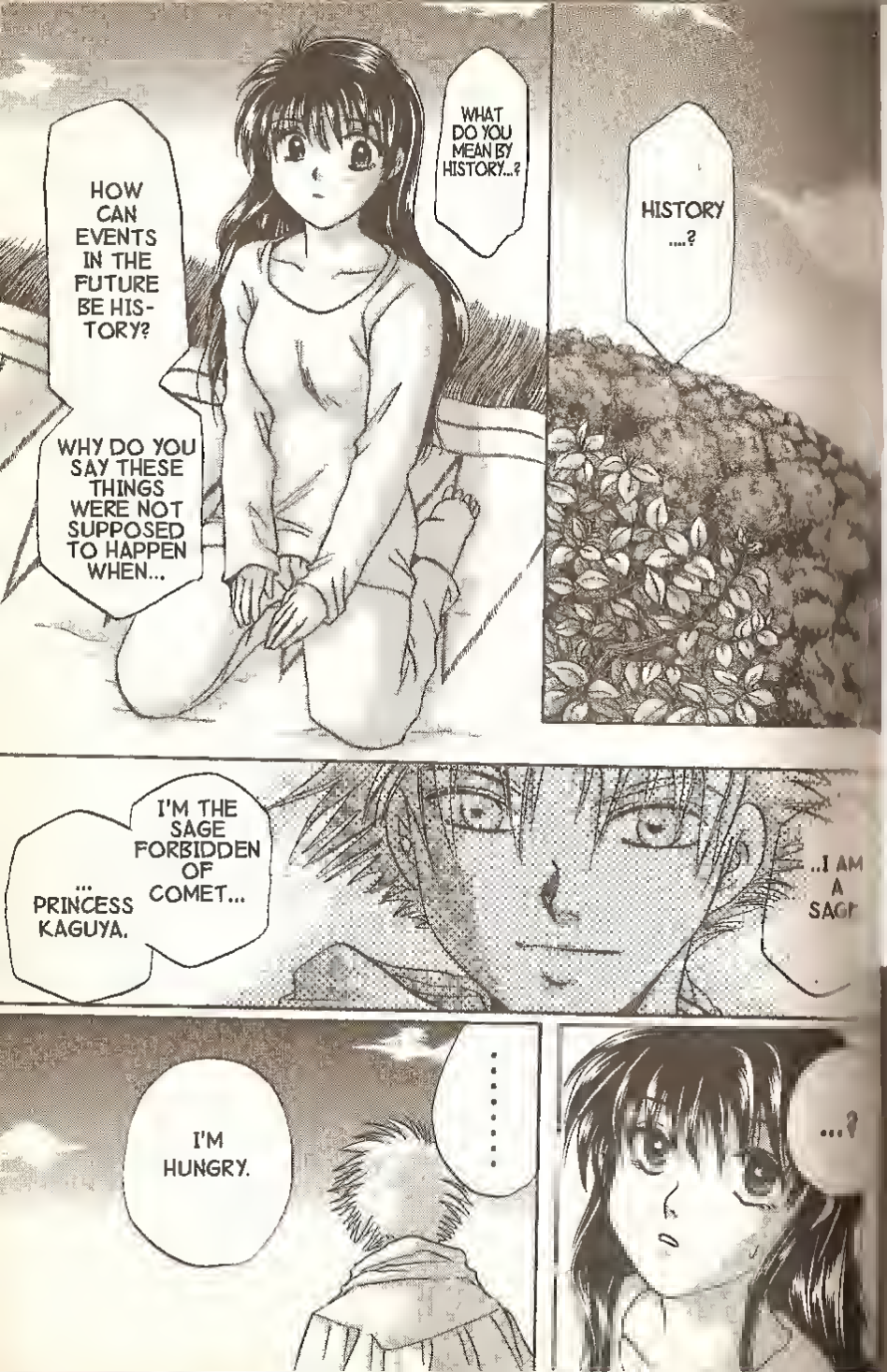

...I SHALL REMAIN COLD-HEARTED FOR AS LONG AS IT TAKES.
KAGUYA

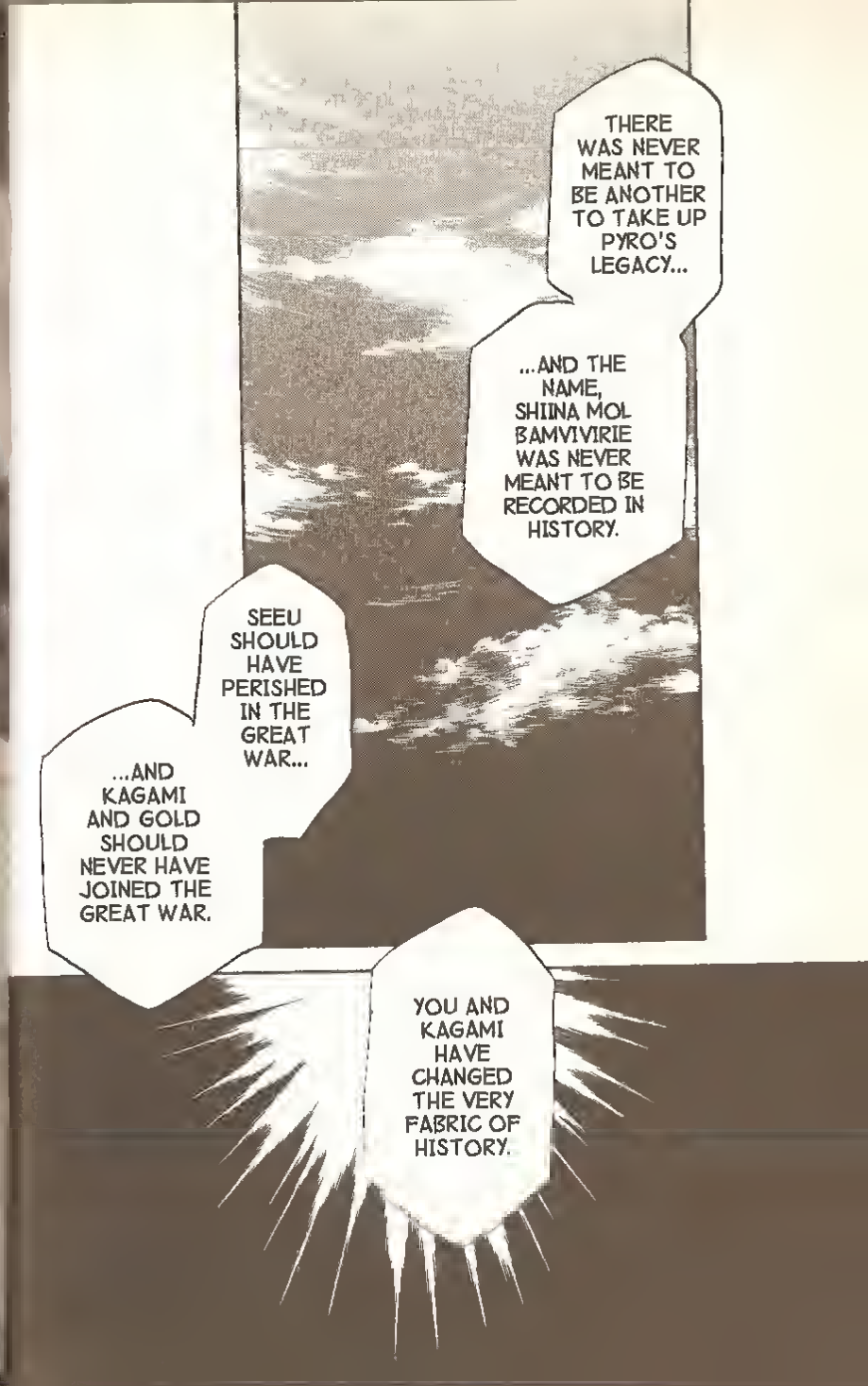
AND I SHALL GLADLY STAND IN THE MIDST OF BLOOD AND FLAME, SO THAT ONE DAY, I MIGHT BE UNITED WITH YOU AGAIN.

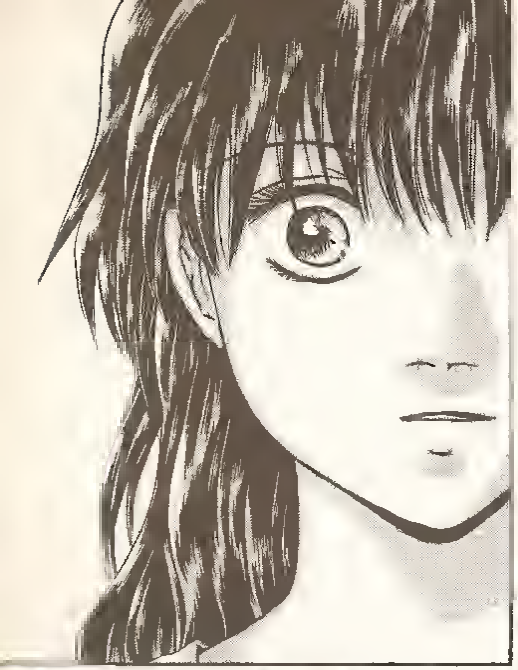


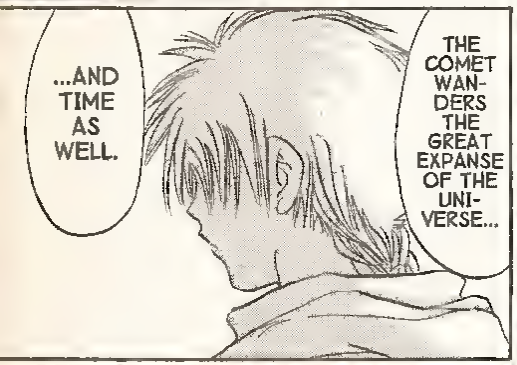

I WILL USE EVER FIBER OF MY BEING TO CLIMB... TO CLAW MY WAY TO THE TOP.
.....
THIS IS MY DECI-CION.

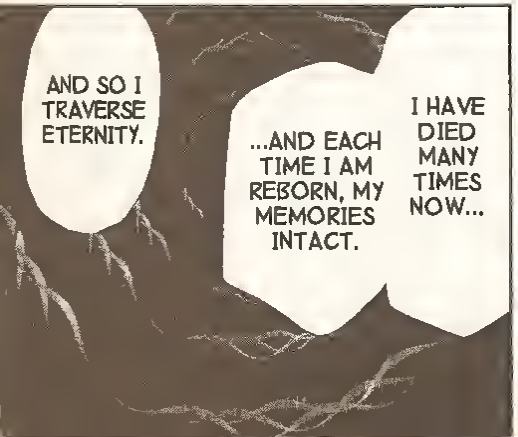
I CAN'T BE SURE WHAT SHAPE OUR REUNION WILL TAKE. I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE IT.
I WILL GAIN POWER IN GEO... AND THIS PATH WILL LEAD ME...
...LEAD ME ONE DAY TO YOU, SOUGHT BY MANY FROM MANY WORLDS.


HOW CAN EVENTS IN THE FUTURE BE HIS-TORY?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY HISTORY...?
HISTORY ....?
WHY DO YOU SAY THESE THINGS WERE NOT SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN WHEN...
... PRINCESS KAGUYA.
I'M THE SAGE FORBIDDEN OF COMET...
..I AM A SAGE
I'M HUNGRY.
.....
...?

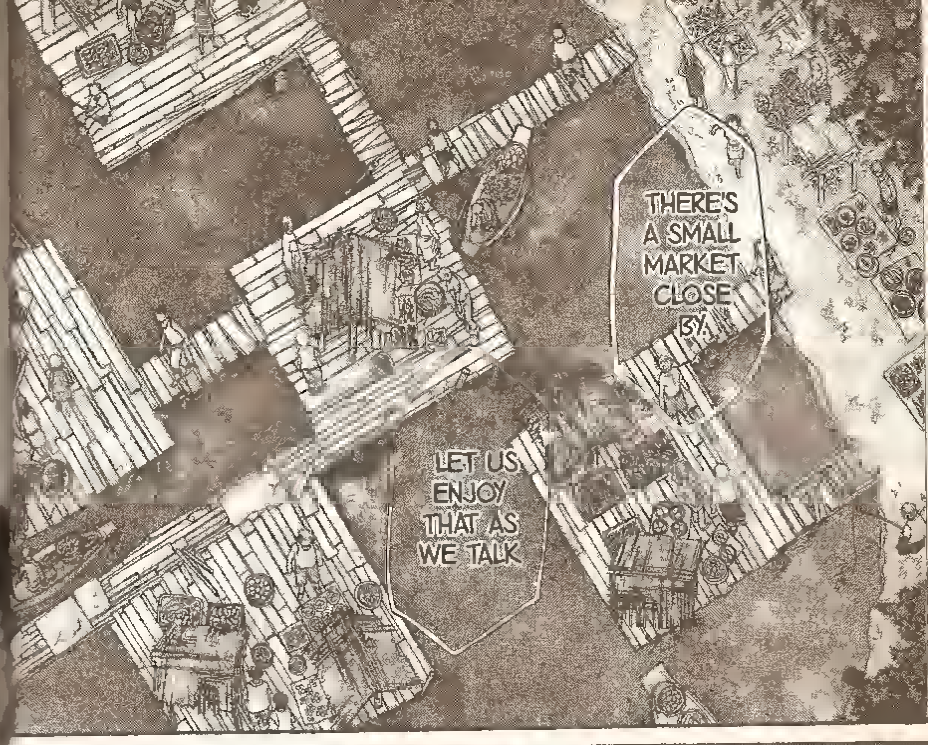

THERE WAS NEVER MEANT TO BE ANOTHER TO TAKE UP PYRO'S LEGACY...
...AND THE NAME, SHIINA MOL BAMVIVIRIE WAS NEVER MEANT TO BE RECORDED IN HISTORY.
SEEU SHOULD HAVE PERISHED IN THE GREAT WAR...
...AND KAGAMI AND GOLD SHOULD NEVER HAVE JOINED THE GREAT WAR.
YOU AND KAGAMI HAVE CHANGED THE VERY FABRIC OF HISTORY.

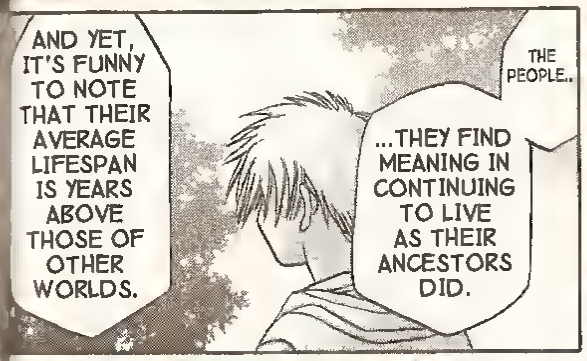


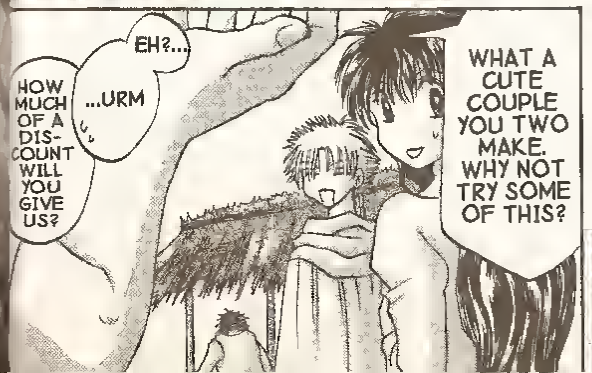

...AND TIME AS WELL.
THE COMET WANDERS THE GREAT EXPANSE OF THE UNIVERSE...

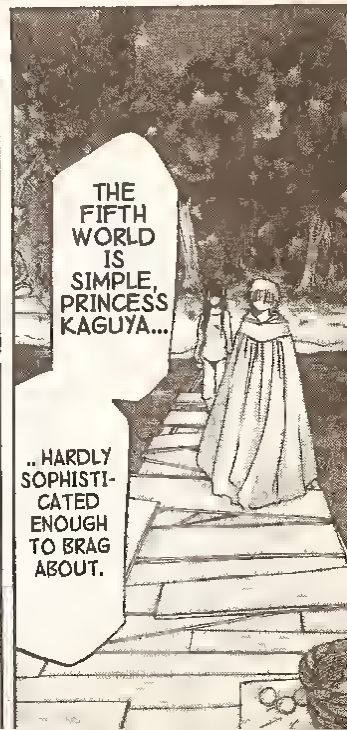

AND SO I TRAVERSE ETERNITY.
...AND EACH TIME I AM REBORN, MY MEMORIES INTACT.
I HAVE DIED MANY TIMES NOW...

I HAVE SEEN THIS UNIVERSE MEET ITS END TIME AFTER TIME.

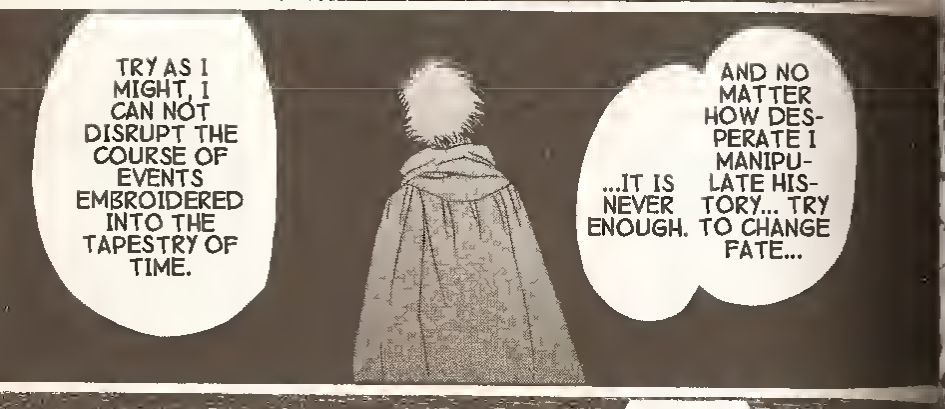

THERE'S A SMALL MARKET CLOSE BY.
LET US ENJOY THAT AS WE TALK

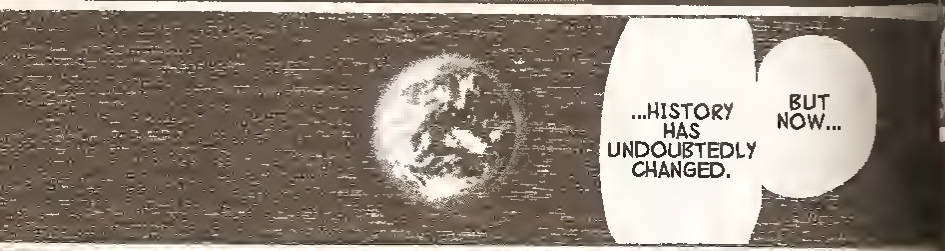

AND YET, IT'S FUNNY TO NOTE THAT THEIR AVERAGE LIFESPAN IS YEARS ABOVE THOSE OF OTHER WORLDS.
THE PEOPLE..
...THEY FIND MEANING IN CONTINUING TO LIVE AS THEIR ANCESTORS DID.

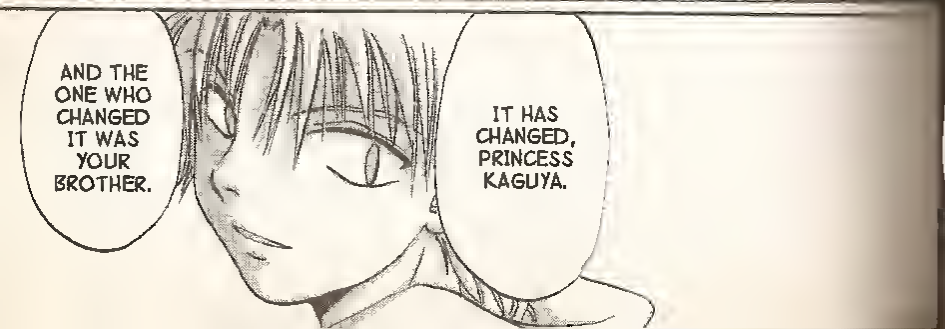

HOW MUCH OF A DISCOUNT WILL YOU GIVE US?
EH?...
...URM
WHAT A CUTE COUPLE YOU TWO MAKE. WHY NOT TRY SOME OF THIS?

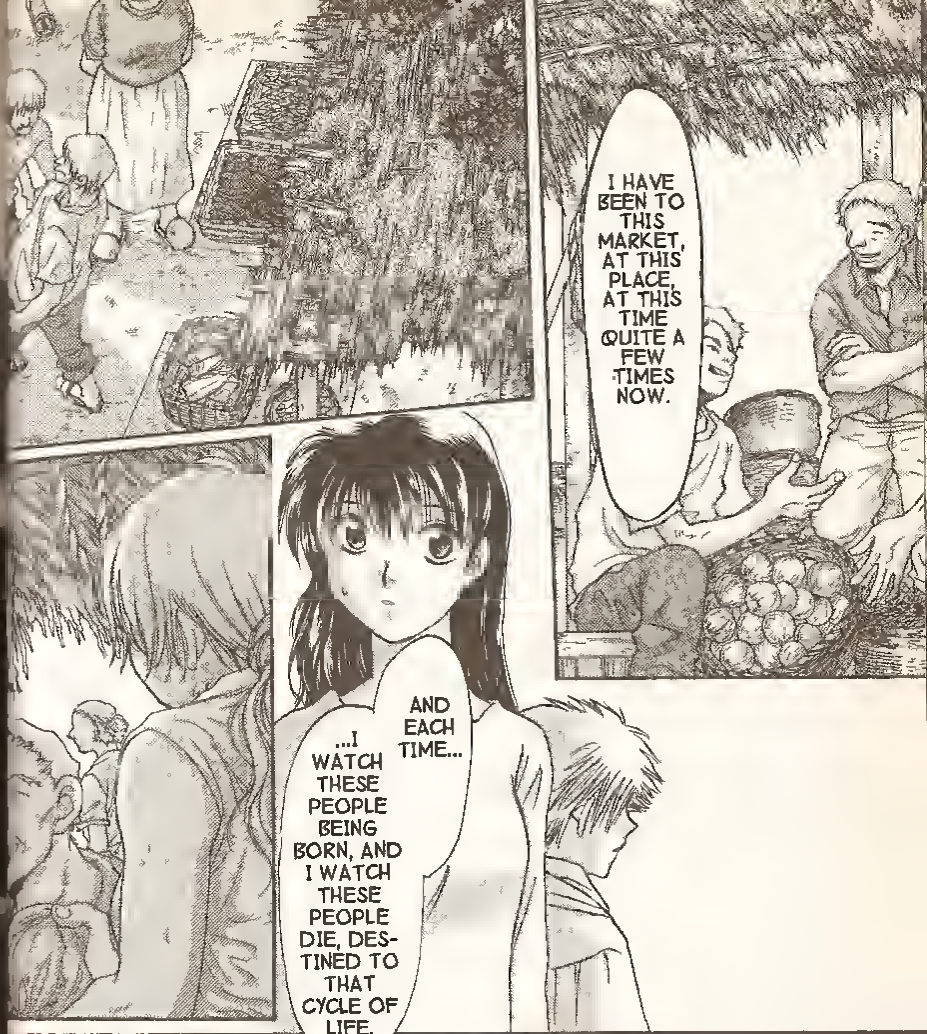

THE FIFTH WORLD IS SIMPLE, PRINCESS KAGUYA...
..HARDLY SOPHISTICATED ENOUGH TO BRAG ABOUT.

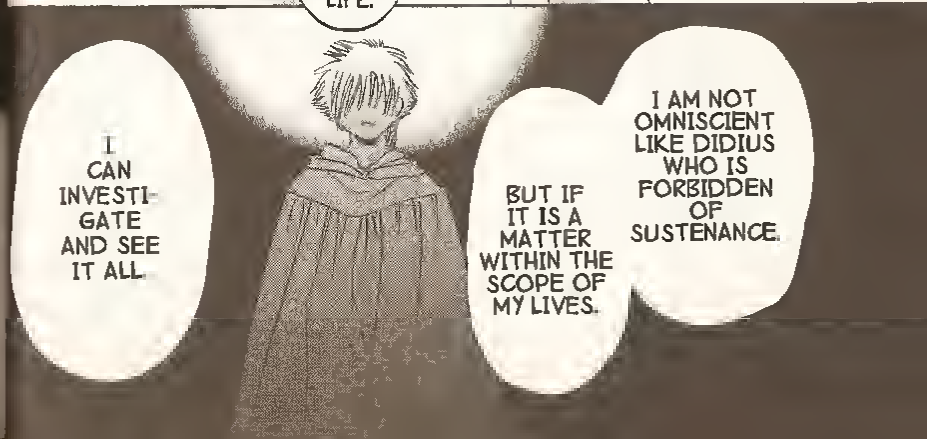
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES THESE WORLDS ARE REBORN, THEY ARE ALWAYS FATED TO BE DESTROYED...
...WITH OUT FAIL.


TRY AS I MIGHT, I CAN NOT DISRUPT THE COURSE OF EVENTS EMBROIDERED INTO THE TAPESTRY OF TIME.
AND NO MATTER HOW DES-PERATE I MANIPU-LATE HIS-TORY... TRY TO CHANGE FATE...
...IT IS NEVER ENOUGH.


...HISTORY HAS UNDOUBTEDLY CHANGED.
BUT NOW...


AND THE ONE WHO CHANGED IT WAS YOUR BROTHER.
IT HAS CHANGED, PRINCESS KAGUYA.


I HAVE BEEN TO THIS MARKET, AT THIS PLACE, AT THIS TIME QUITE A FEW TIMES NOW.
AND EACH TIME...
...I WATCH THESE PEOPLE BEING BORN, AND I WATCH THESE PEOPLE DIE, DES-TINED TO THAT CYCLE OF LIFE.


I CAN INVESTI-GATE AND SEE IT ALL.
BUT IF IT IS A MATTER WITHIN THE SCOPE OF MY LIVES.
I AM NOT OMNISCIENT LIKE DIDIUS WHO IS FORBIDDEN OF SUSTENANCE.

...YOU DO KNOW TO WHOM I REFER, YES?

BLACK HAIR

BLUE EYES.

...FOR SO LONG.

GIVE IT A GUESS. GO AHEAD.

I DON'T KNOW WHY...

...BUT FOR THE LONGEST TIME.

HE WAS SO FAMILIAR AND DEAR TO ME.

.....

...MY BROTHER?

HE MERELY SMILED AND OFFERED HIS HAND TO ME.

IN A SEA OF FLAMES.

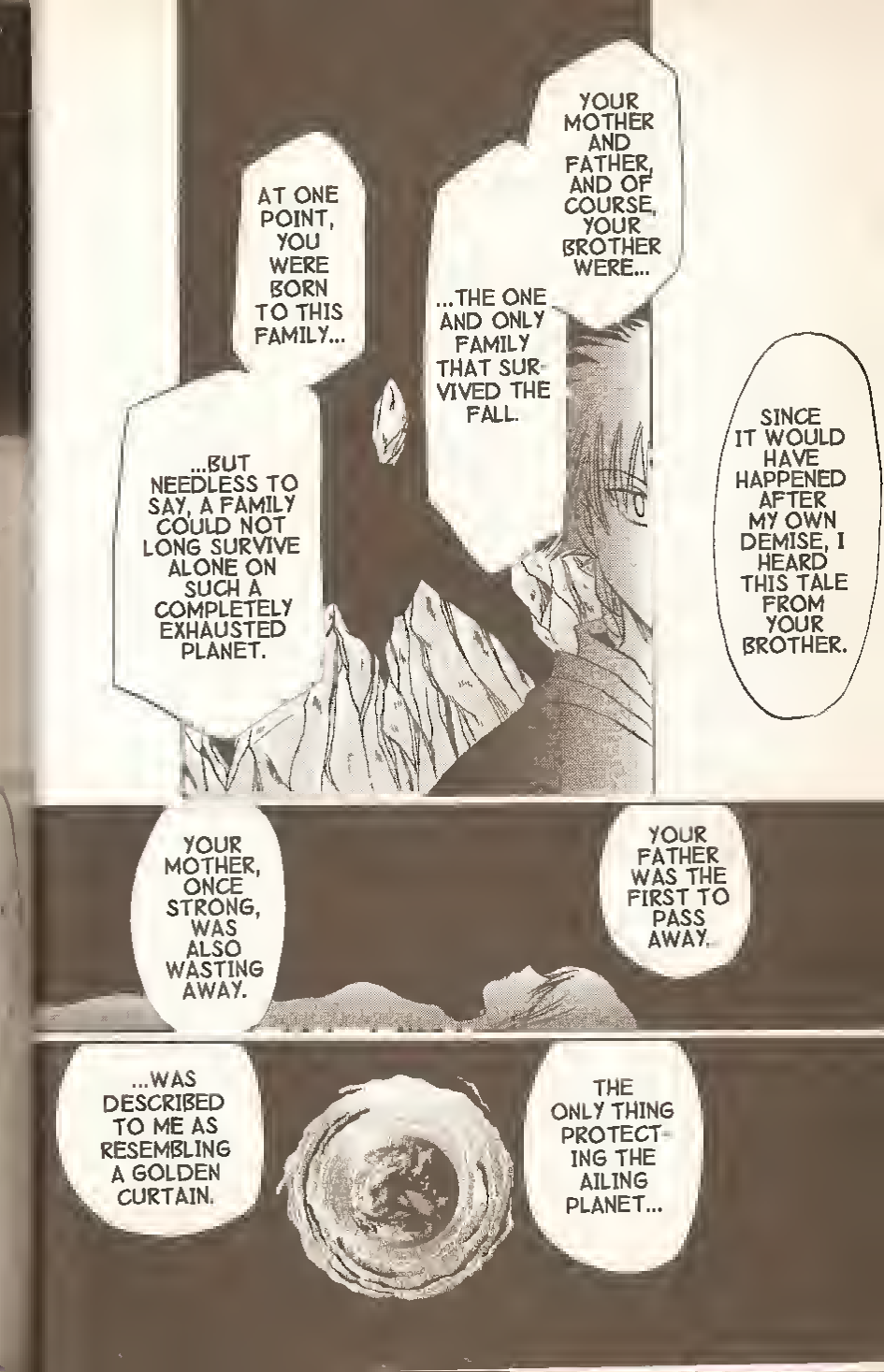
IT WAS ME.

IT WAS HE.

AND... WHEN WAS IT?

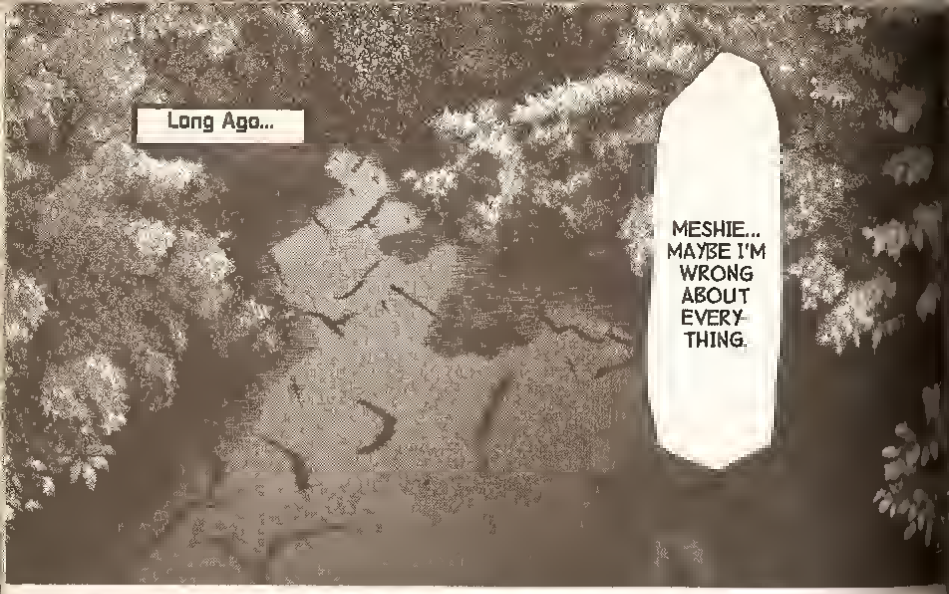
...WHERE WAS THAT PLACE?

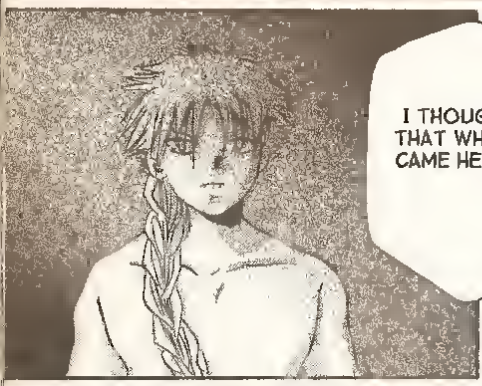
IT WAS GOLDEN?
YES...
...THAT'S RIGHT.
I AM TOLD TIME AND TIME AGAIN THAT THIS CURTAIN ...
..."SPOKE" TO YOUR BROTHER.
THE LAST OF THE 5 LIVING WEAPONS WHICH- FOR ALL THAT I DO KNOW OF THIS UNIVERSE- SIMPLY DID NOT EXIST.
"THE ORGANIC GOLD."
...WAS BORN AFTER THE END OF ALL THINGS...
...JUST LIKE YOU.
WHICH FORCES ME TO DEDUCE THAT...
...THAT THIS GOLD...
YES.
DID NO EXIST

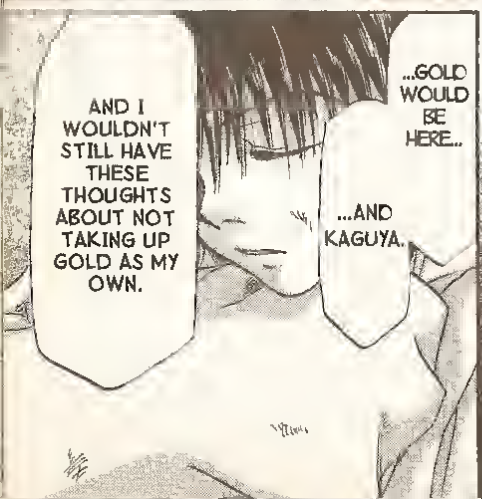

AT ONE POINT, YOU WERE BORN TO THIS FAMILY...
YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER, AND OF COURSE, YOUR BROTHER WERE...
...THE ONE AND ONLY FAMILY THAT SUR- VIVED THE FALL.
...BUT NEEDLESS TO SAY, A FAMILY COULD NOT LONG SURVIVE ALONE ON SUCH A COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED PLANET.
SINCE IT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED AFTER MY OWN DEMISE, I HEARD THIS TALE FROM YOUR BROTHER.
YOUR MOTHER, ONCE STRONG, WAS ALSO WASTING AWAY.
YOUR FATHER WAS THE FIRST TO PASS AWAY.
...WAS DESCRIBED TO ME AS RESEMBLING A GOLDEN CURTAIN.
THE ONLY THING PROTECT- ING THE AILING PLANET...

ARE COMPLETELY UNAWARE OF YOUR EXISTENCE.
IF THERE ARE THOSE BORN WITH A STRONG ABILITY TO SEE THE FUTURE...
...THEN THERE ARE ALSO THOSE WHO POSSESS A MORE HEIGHTENED SENSITIVITY AND SET OF PERCEPTIONS THAN OTHERS.
PRINCESS ...
...YOU WERE BORN WITH SUCH POWER COURSING WITHIN YOU.

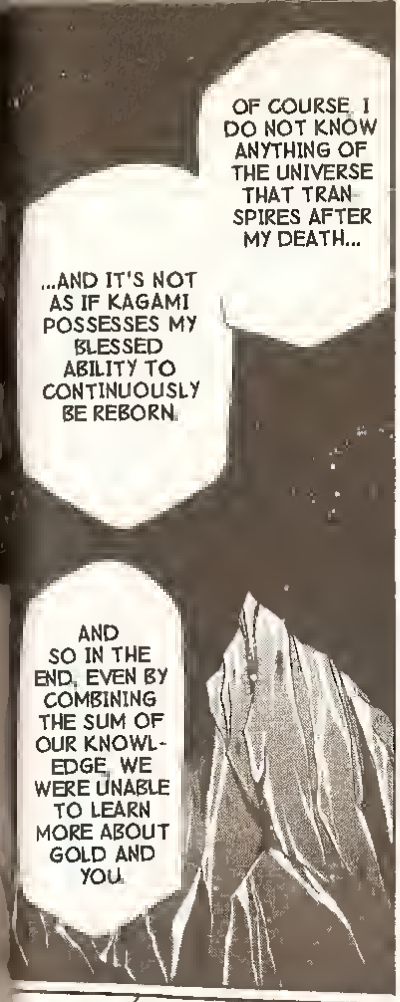
...WAS BORN AFTER THE END OF ALL THINGS.
THE ONE BEING THAT...
...YOU ARE THE YOUNGEST ENTITY IN THIS UNIVERSE
...PRINCESS...
ALL THE PLANETS AND BEINGS AND STARS IN THIS UNIVERSE...
...THIS UNIVERSE CANNOT EVER SEEK TO ASSESS YOU.
AND BECAUSE OF THAT...

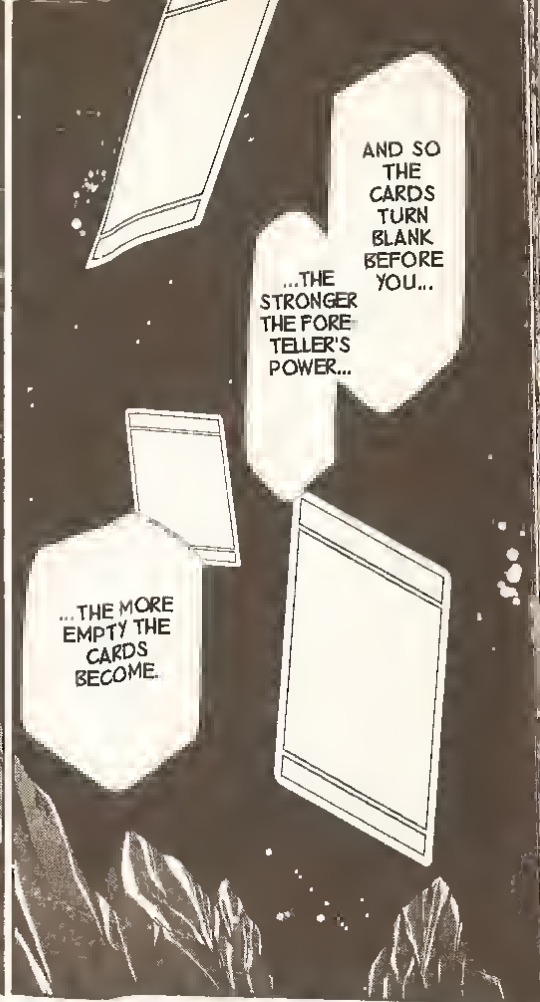

Long Ago...
MESHIE... MAYBE I'M WRONG ABOUT EVERY-THING.


I THOUGHT THAT WHEN I CAME HERE...

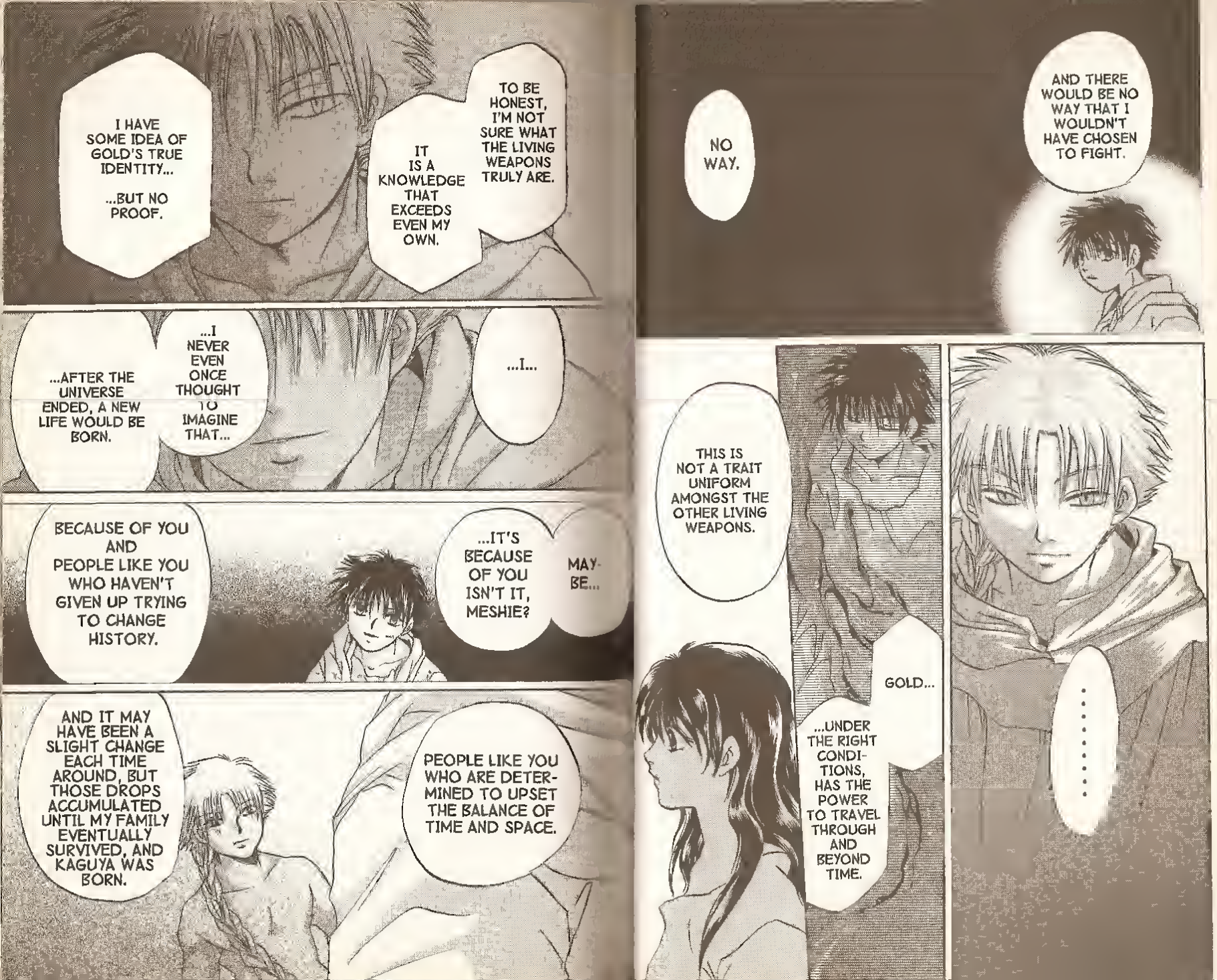

AND I WOULDN'T STILL HAVE THESE THOUGHTS ABOUT NOT TAKING UP GOLD AS MY OWN.
...GOLD WOULD BE HERE...
...AND KAGUYA.

LATELY, I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK THAT WAY


OF COURSE, I DO NOT KNOW ANYTHING OF THE UNIVERSE THAT TRAN-SPIRES AFTER MY DEATH...
...AND IT'S NOT AS IF KAGAMI POSSESSES MY BLESSED ABILITY TO CONTINUOUSLY BE REBORN.
AND SO IN THE END, EVEN BY COMBINING THE SUM OF OUR KNOWL-EDGE, WE WERE UNABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GOLD AND YOU.


AND SO THE CARDS TURN BLANK BEFORE YOU...
...THE STRONGER THE FORE-TELLER'S POWER...
...THE MORE EMPTY THE CARDS BECOME.

...I SIMPLY DO NOT KNOW, KAGUYA. AND...
BUT AS TO WHAT WILL BECOME OF THE TWO OF YOU...
...AND THAT AFTER THE END OF ALL THINGS, YOU AND GOLD WILL BE BORN.
ALL THAT I KNOW FOR SURE IS THAT THE UNIVERSE WILL COLLAPSE UPON ITSELF...


I HAVE SOME IDEA OF GOLD'S TRUE IDENTITY...
...BUT NO PROOF.
IT IS A KNOWLEDGE THAT EXCEEDS EVEN MY OWN.
TO BE HONEST, I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE LIVING WEAPONS TRULY ARE.
...AFTER THE UNIVERSE ENDED, A NEW LIFE WOULD BE BORN.
...I NEVER EVEN ONCE THOUGHT TO IMAGINE THAT...
...I...
BECAUSE OF YOU AND PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO HAVEN'T GIVEN UP TRYING TO CHANGE HISTORY.
...IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU ISN'T IT, MESHIE?
MAY-BE...
AND IT MAY HAVE BEEN A SLIGHT CHANGE EACH TIME AROUND, BUT THOSE DROPS ACCUMULATED UNTIL MY FAMILY EVENTUALLY SURVIVED, AND KAGUYA WAS BORN.
PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO ARE DETER-MINED TO UPSET THE BALANCE OF TIME AND SPACE.
NO WAY.
AND THERE WOULD BE NO WAY THAT I WOULDN'T HAVE CHOSEN TO FIGHT.
THIS IS NOT A TRAIT UNIFORM AMONGST THE OTHER LIVING WEAPONS.
GOLD...
...UNDER THE RIGHT CONDI-TIONS, HAS THE POWER TO TRAVEL THROUGH AND BEYOND TIME.
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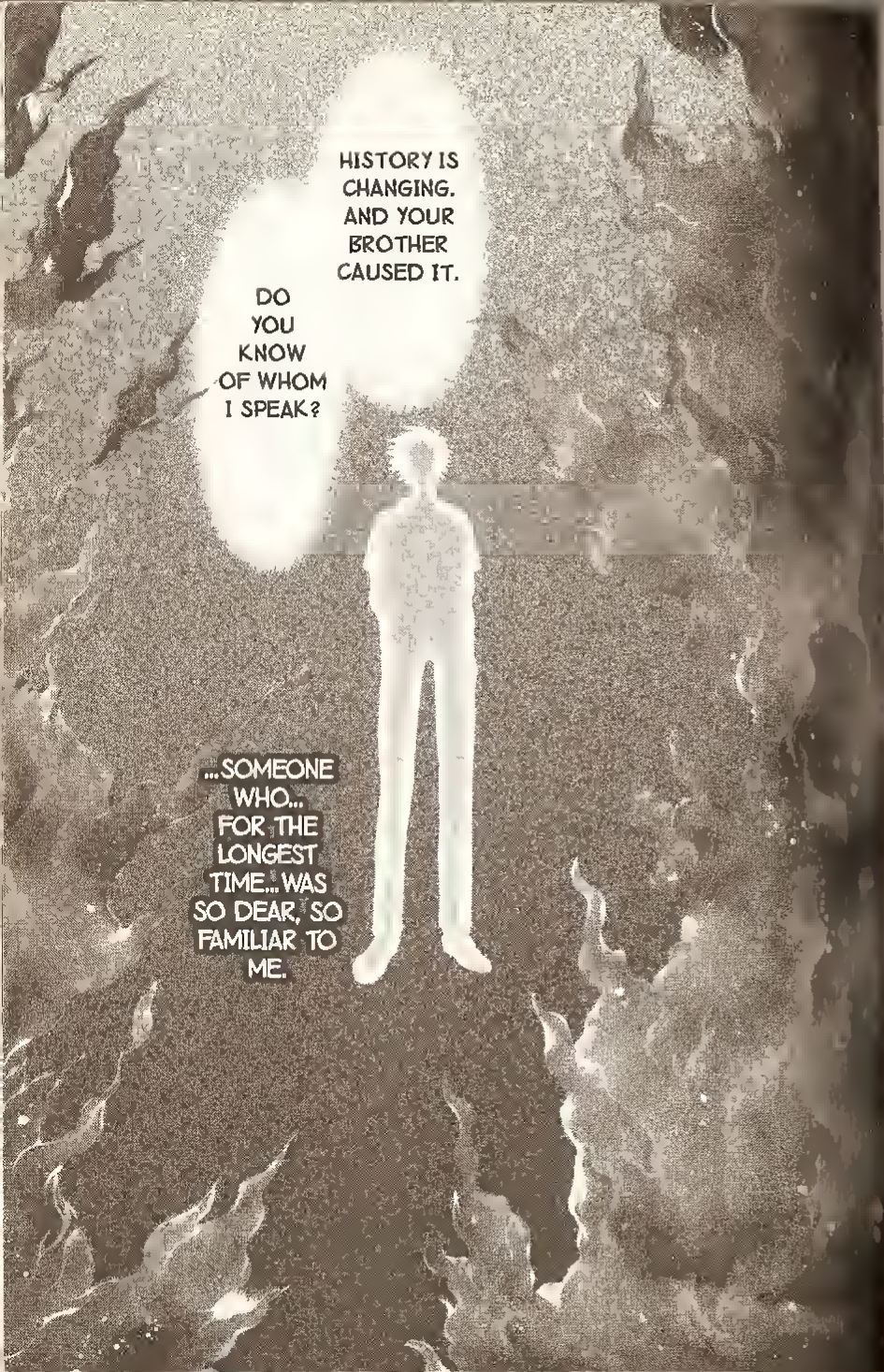
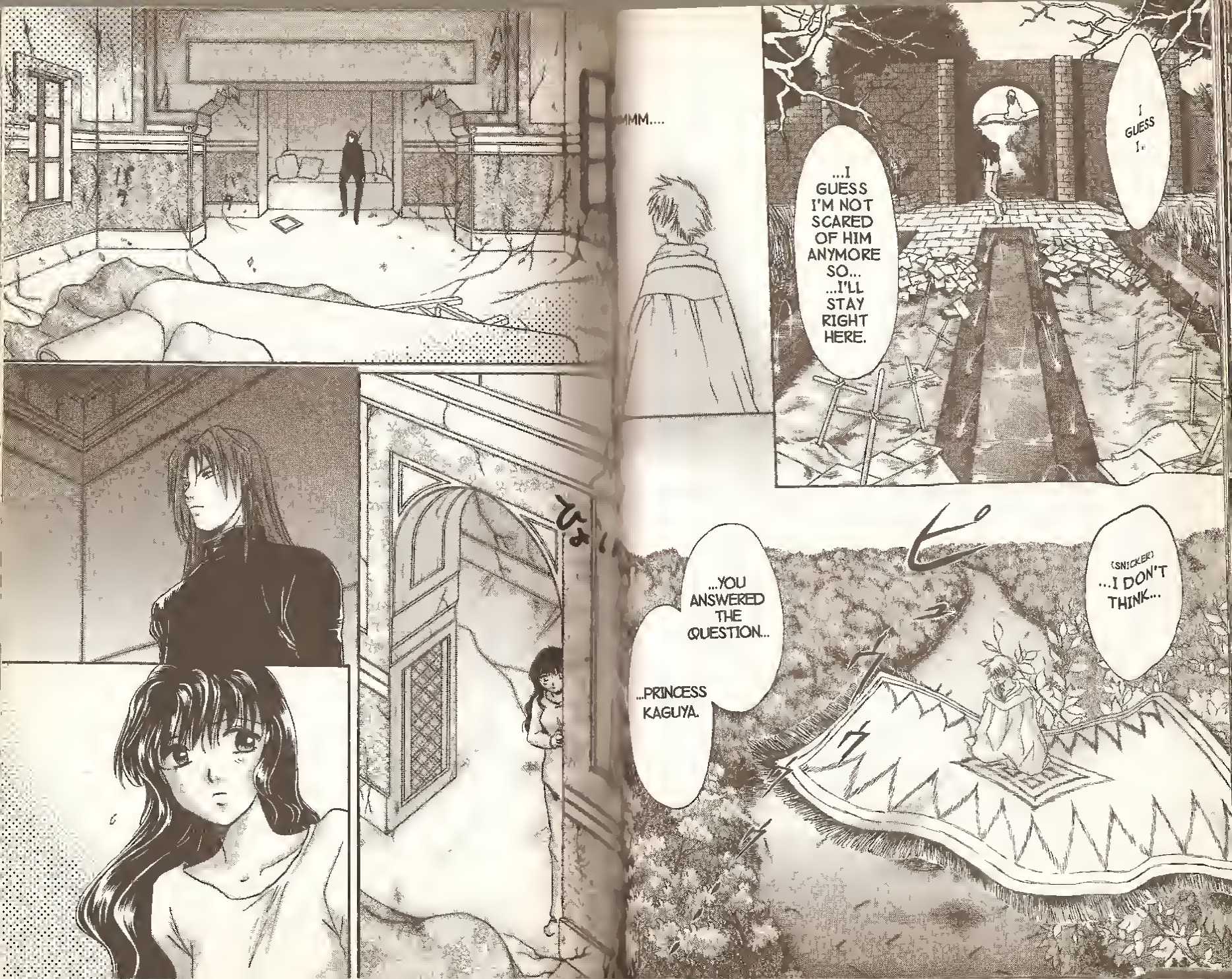
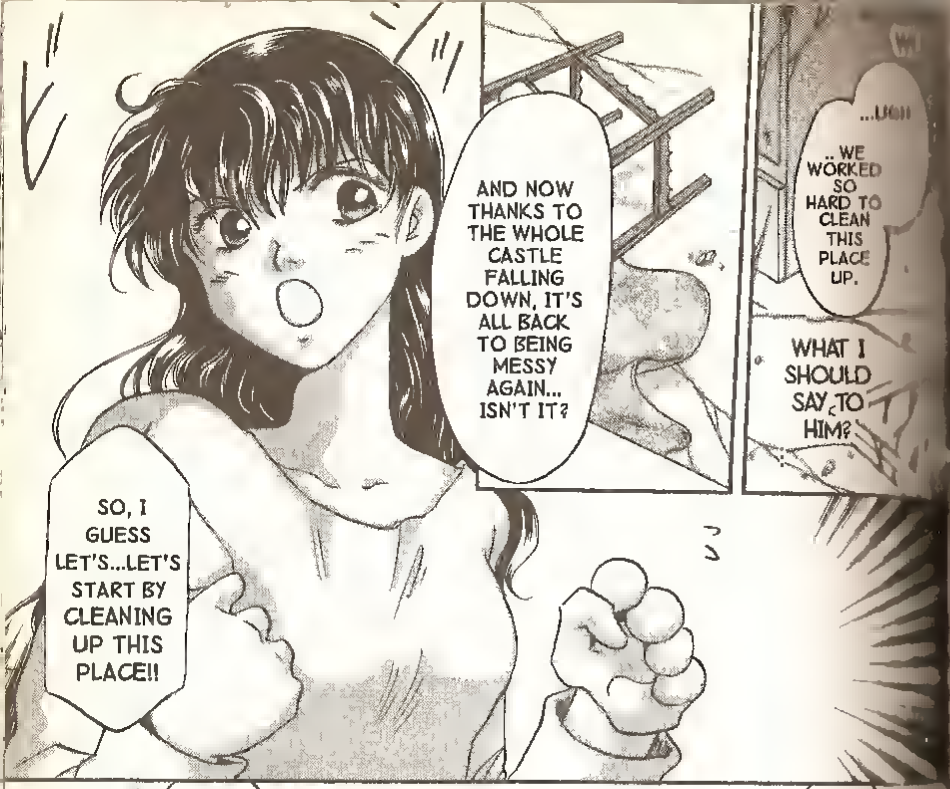

HISTORY IS CHANGING. AND YOUR BROTHER CAUSED IT.
DO YOU KNOW OF WHOM I SPEAK?
...SOMEONE WHO... FOR THE LONGEST TIME... WAS SO DEAR, SO FAMILIAR TO ME.

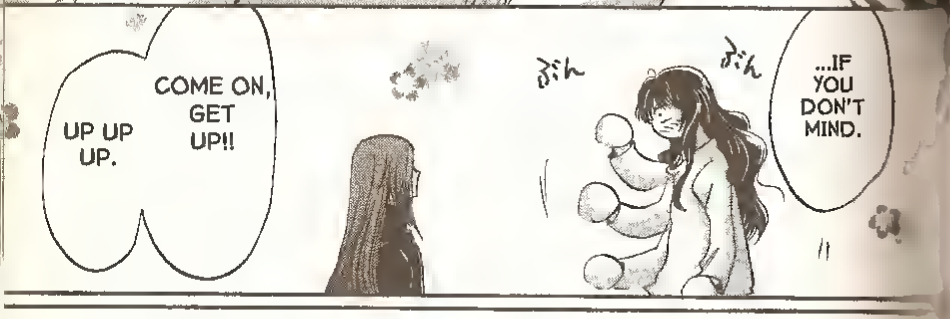
IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE.
...THESE ARE SIGNS THAT THE END OF THE UNI-VERSE CAN BE STOPPED.
THAT GOLD IS AT MY SIDE AND THAT KAGUYA EVEN EXISTS...
THAT YOU WOULD BE BORN, KAGUYA.
I NEVER THOUGHT OF SUCH A POSSIBILITY UNTIL THAT MOMENT...
...PRINC ESS.

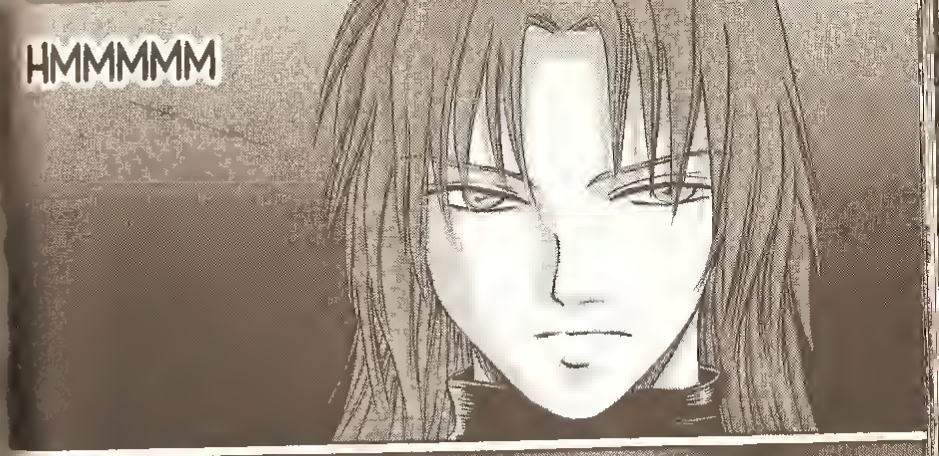
I WILL PREPARE A MORE LIVABLE PLACE FOR YOU IF YOU DESIRE IT.
YOU KNOW THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO STAY IN THAT PLACE, RIGHT?
.....
BUT ...
...IT'S NOT LIKE I WAS GOING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.
I THINK IT'S TOO LATE FOR ANYONE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT HIM.
YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BROKEN MAN, ARE YOU?
AHH...BUT... I DON'T KNOW... THERE'S SOMETHING...
...BUT...

ARE YOU REALLY GOING BACK?
AND HE'LL SLEEP IF YOU SAY SOMETHING TO STIR UP HIS EMOTIONS SO.
SORT OF LIKE A ROBOT.
IN THAT SENSE HE'S SORT OF...
VERY WELL, BUT IF SEEU BEGINS TO DISPLAY ANY ERRATIC BEHAVIOR, THEN CALL FOR ME..
AND SO LONG AS HE'S NOT OVERLY EXCITED OR ON A RAMPAGE, THE SWITCH SHOULD WORK TOO.
...I'LL BE THERE IN AN INSTANT.
The Switch


MMM....
I GUESS I..
...I GUESS I'M NOT SCARED OF HIM ANYMORE SO... ...I'LL STAY RIGHT HERE.
(SNICKER) ...I DON'T THINK...
...YOU ANSWERED THE QUESTION...
...PRINCESS KAGUYA.


AND NOW THANKS TO THE WHOLE CASTLE FALLING DOWN, IT'S ALL BACK TO BEING MESSY AGAIN... ISN'T IT?
...UGH
..WE WORKED SO HARD TO CLEAN THIS PLACE UP.
WHAT I SHOULD SAY TO HIM?
SO, I GUESS LET'S...LET'S START BY CLEANING UP THIS PLACE!!


UP UP UP.
COME ON, GET UP!!
...IF YOU DON'T MIND.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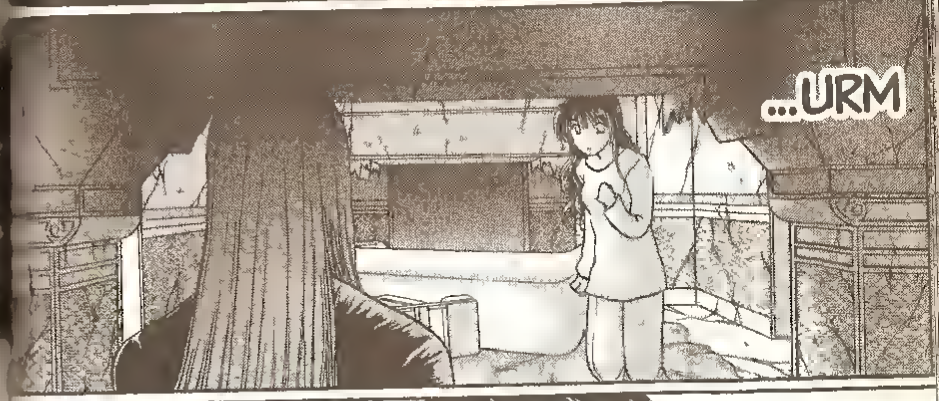
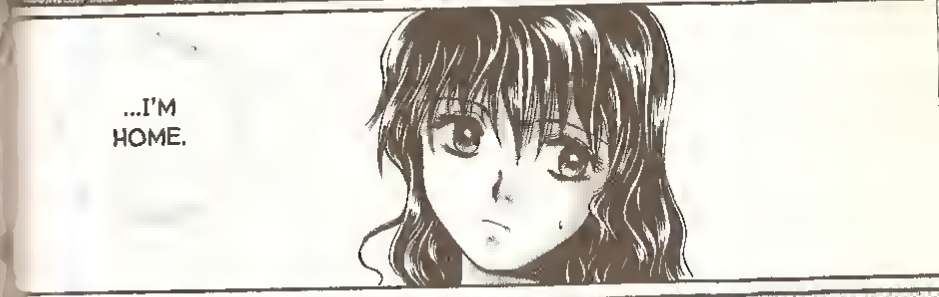
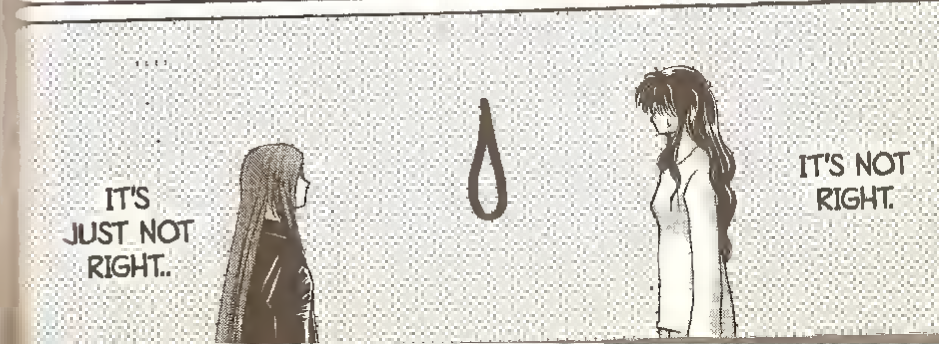
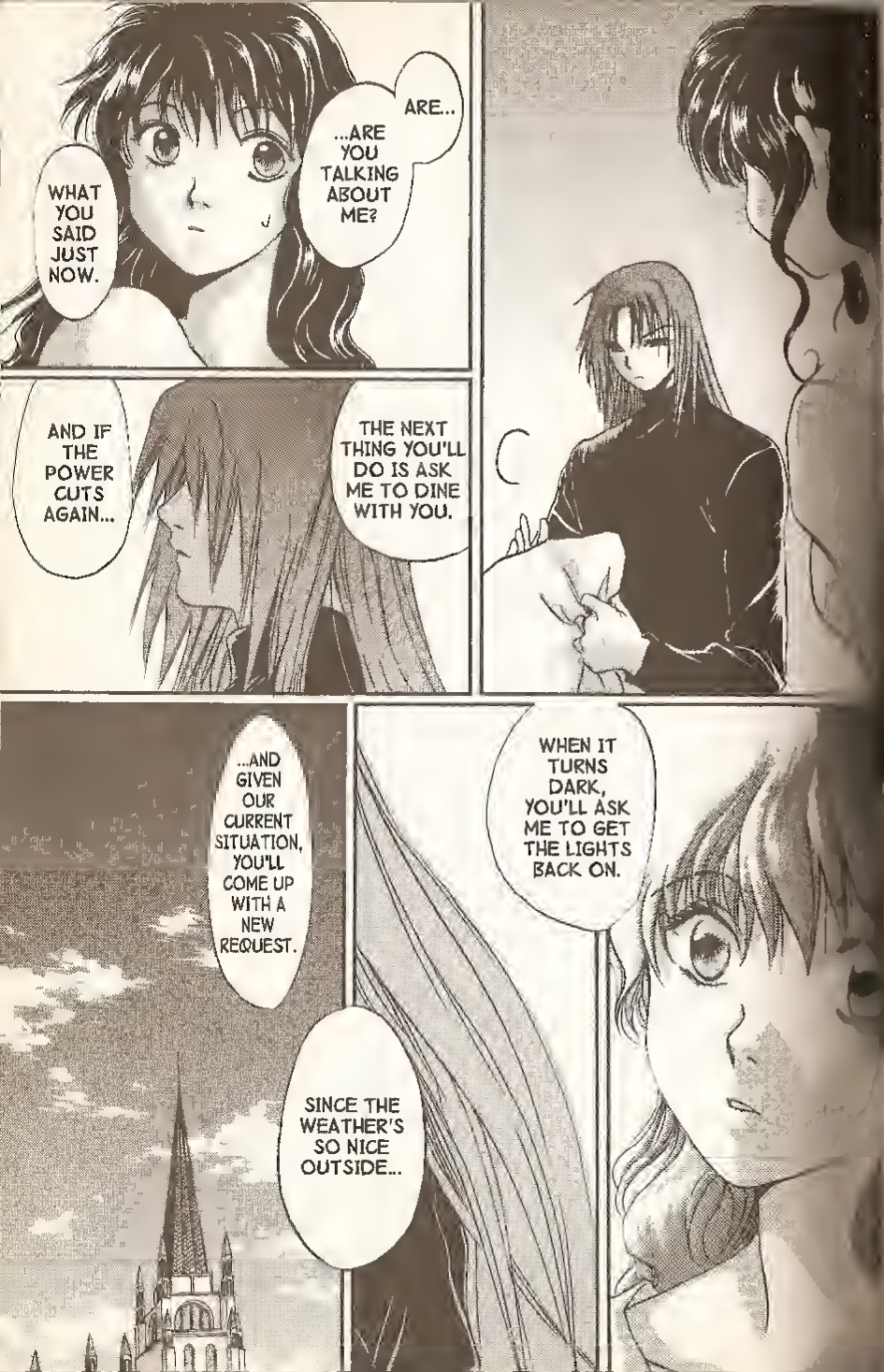
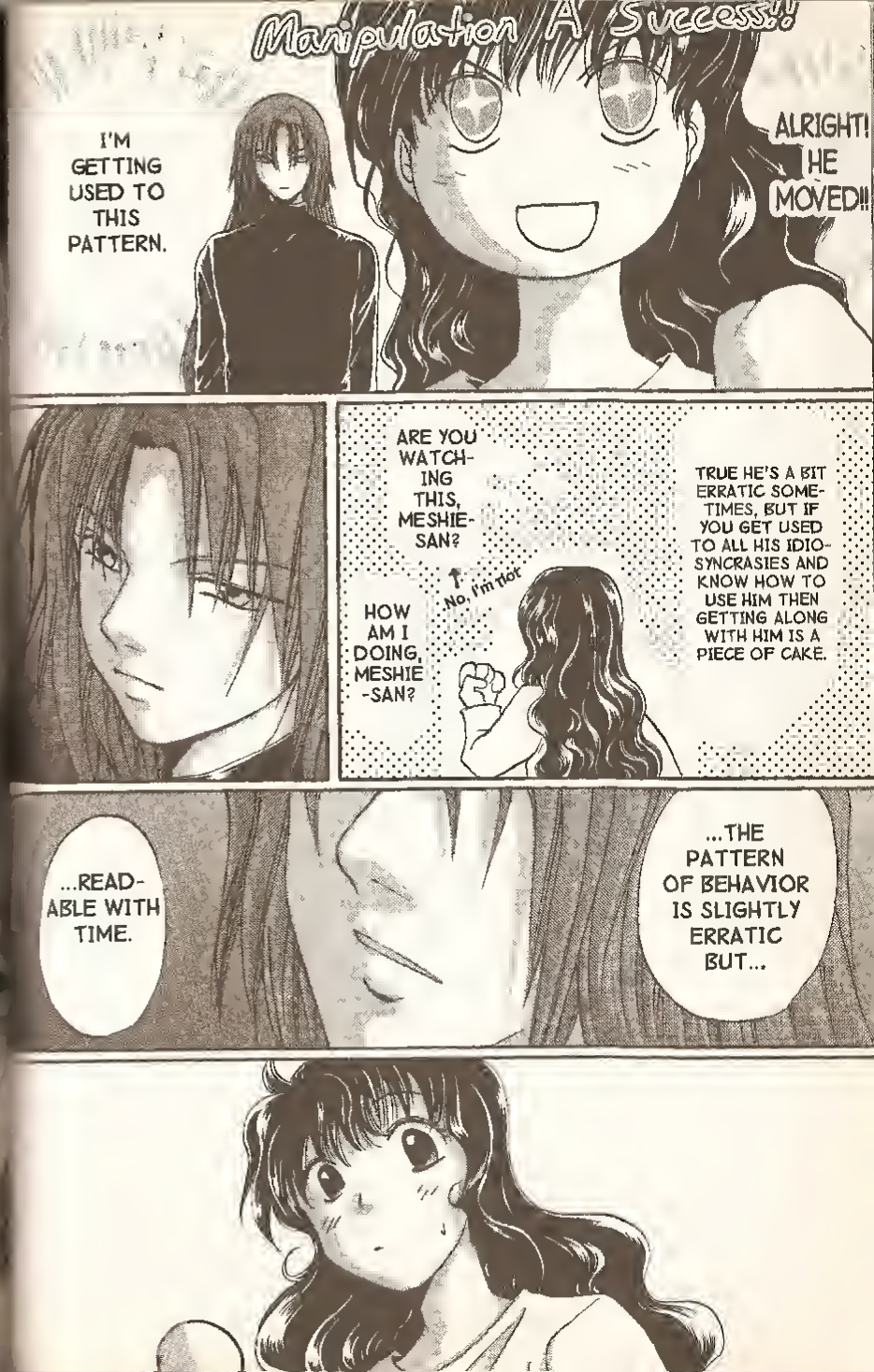
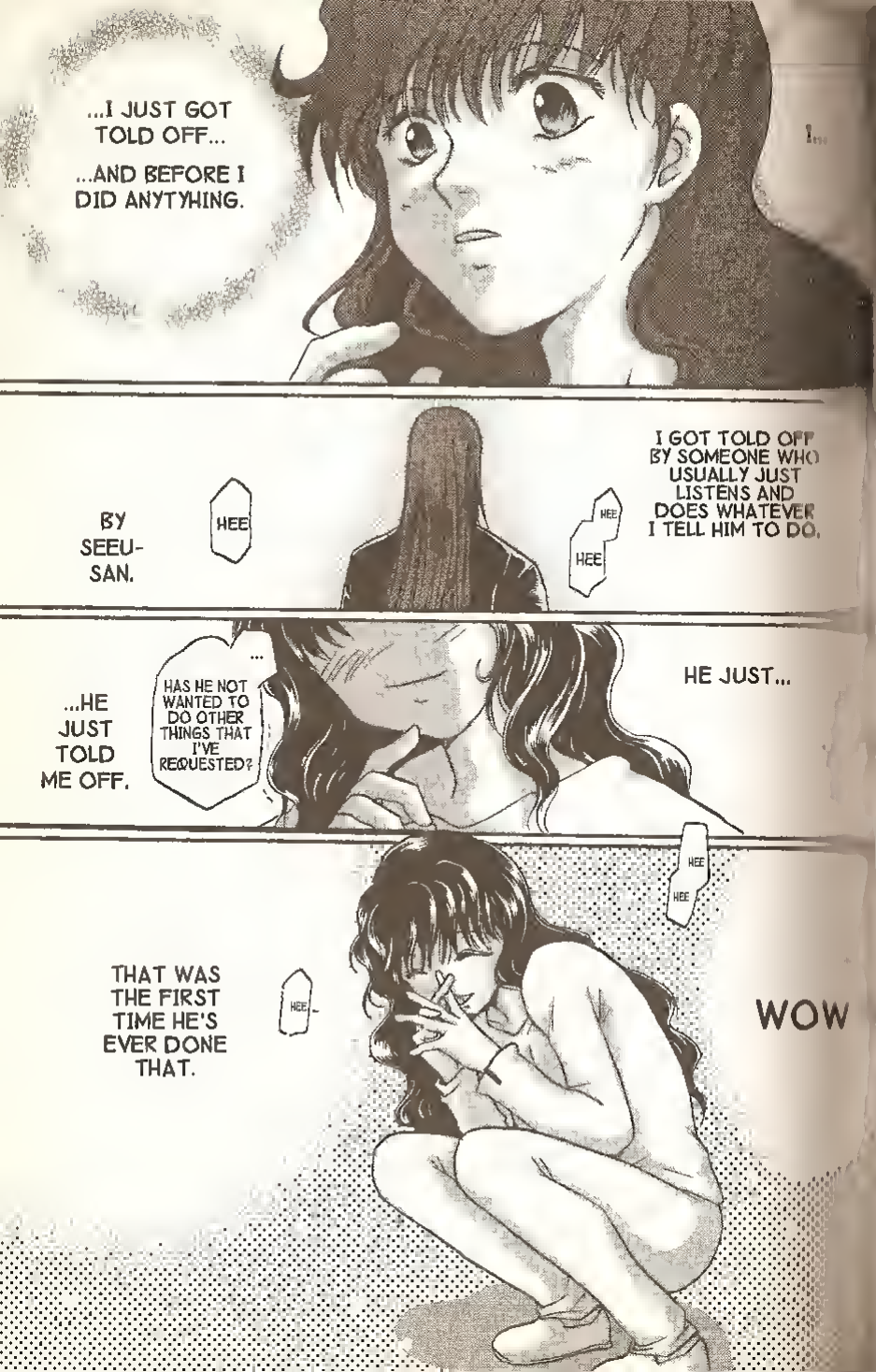

...URM

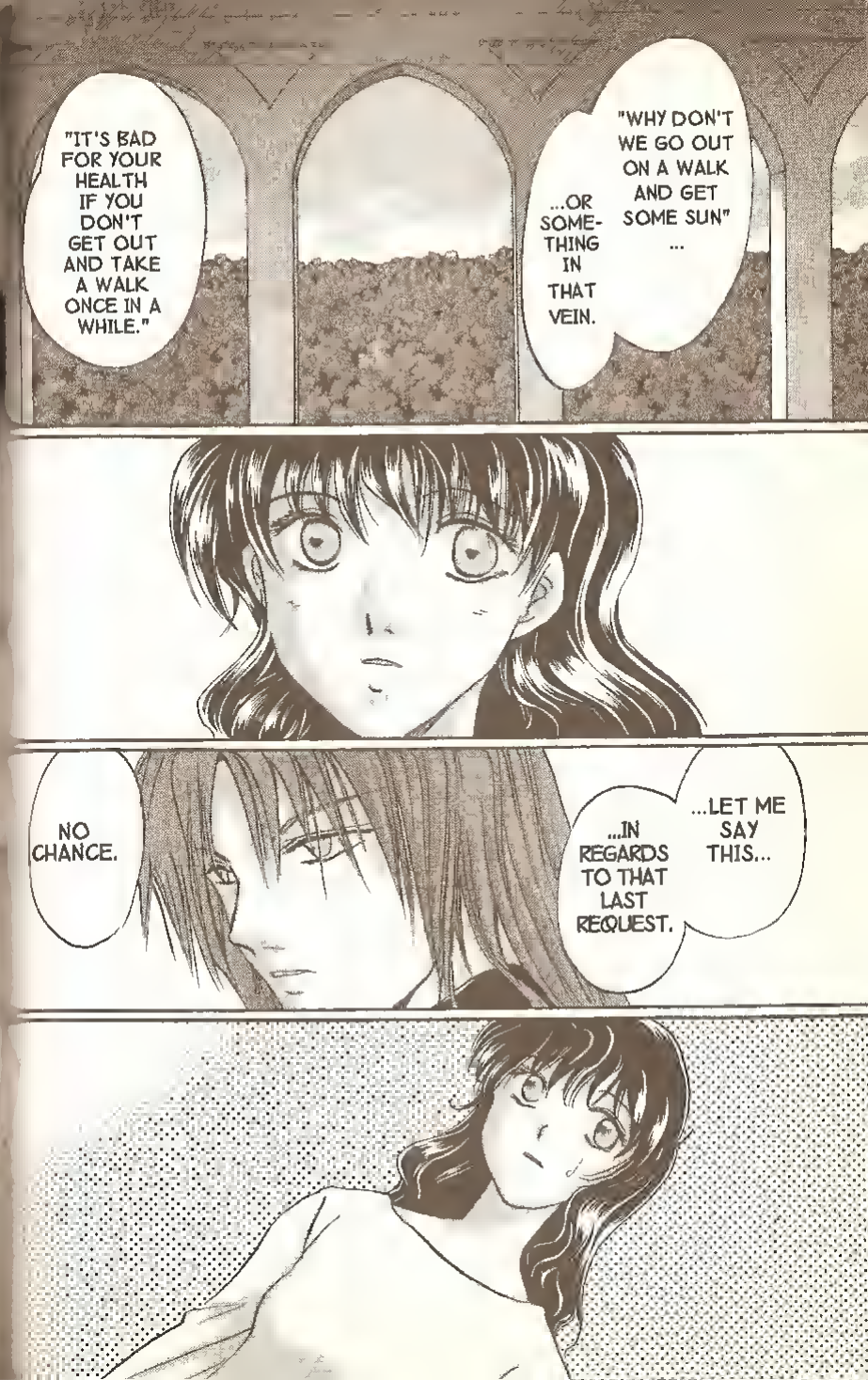

...I'M HOME.

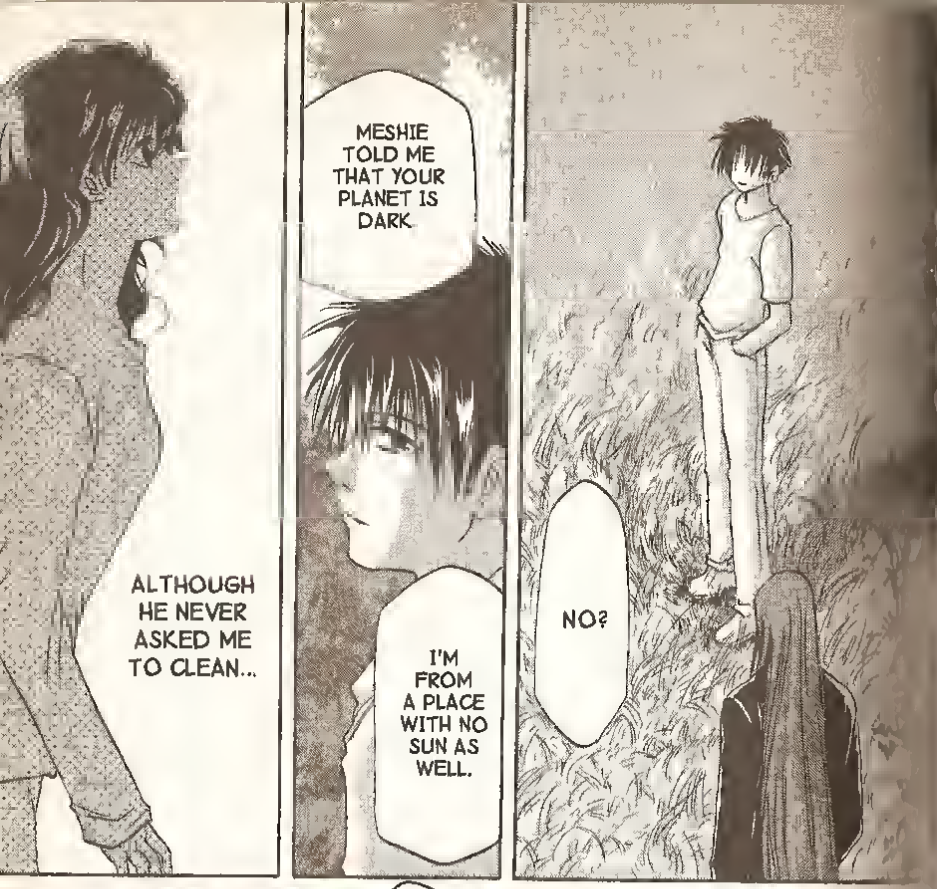

IT'S JUST NOT RIGHT..
IT'S NOT RIGHT.


WHAT YOU SAID JUST NOW.
ARE...
...ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ME?
AND IF THE POWER CUTS AGAIN...
THE NEXT THING YOU'LL DO IS ASK ME TO DINE WITH YOU.
...AND GIVEN OUR CURRENT SITUATION, YOU'LL COME UP WITH A NEW REQUEST.
SINCE THE WEATHER'S SO NICE OUTSIDE...
WHEN IT TURNS DARK, YOU'LL ASK ME TO GET THE LIGHTS BACK ON.

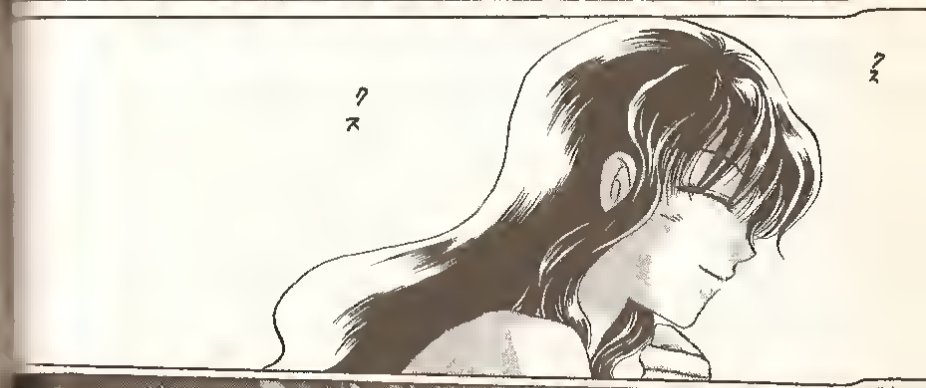

Manipulation A Success!!
I'M GETTING USED TO THIS PATTERN.
ALRIGHT! HE MOVED!!
ARE YOU WATCHING THIS, MESHIE-SAN?
No, I'm not
HOW AM I DOING, MESHIE-SAN?
TRUE HE'S A BIT ERRATIC SOMETIMES, BUT IF YOU GET USED TO ALL HIS IDIOSYNCRASIES AND KNOW HOW TO USE HIM THEN GETTING ALONG WITH HIM IS A PIECE OF CAKE.
...READABLE WITH TIME.
...THE PATTERN OF BEHAVIOR IS SLIGHTLY ERRATIC BUT...


...I JUST GOT TOLD OFF...
...AND BEFORE I DID ANYTYHING.
I...
I GOT TOLD OFF BY SOMEONE WHO USUALLY JUST LISTENS AND DOES WHATEVER I TELL HIM TO DO.
BY SEEU-SAN.
HEE
HEE
HEE
HE JUST...
...HE JUST TOLD ME OFF.
...
HAS HE NOT WANTED TO DO OTHER THINGS THAT I'VE REQUESTED?
HEE
HEE
HEE
THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME HE'S EVER DONE THAT.
WOW


"IT'S BAD FOR YOUR HEALTH IF YOU DON'T GET OUT AND TAKE A WALK ONCE IN A WHILE."
...OR SOME-THING IN THAT VEIN.
"WHY DON'T WE GO OUT ON A WALK AND GET SOME SUN"
...
NO CHANCE.
...IN REGARDS TO THAT LAST REQUEST.
...LET ME SAY THIS...


ALTHOUGH HE NEVER ASKED ME TO CLEAN...
MESHIE TOLD ME THAT YOUR PLANET IS DARK.
I'M FROM A PLACE WITH NO SUN AS WELL.
NO?

SO...
...WILL YOU NOT JOIN ME FOR A WALK?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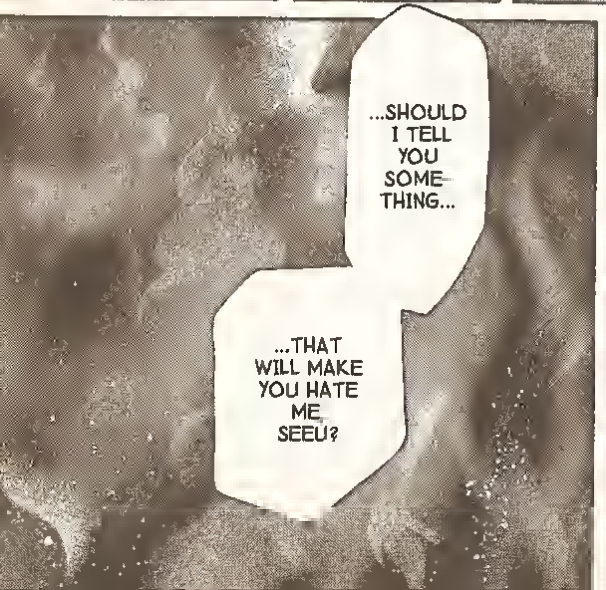
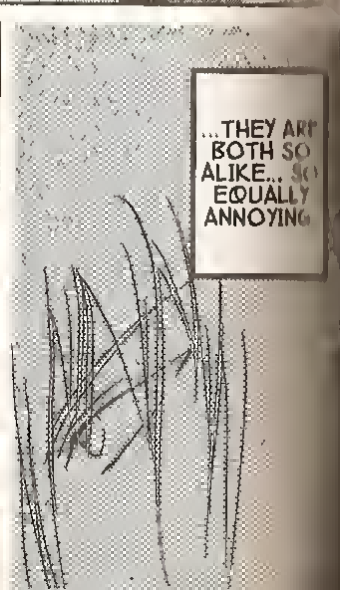
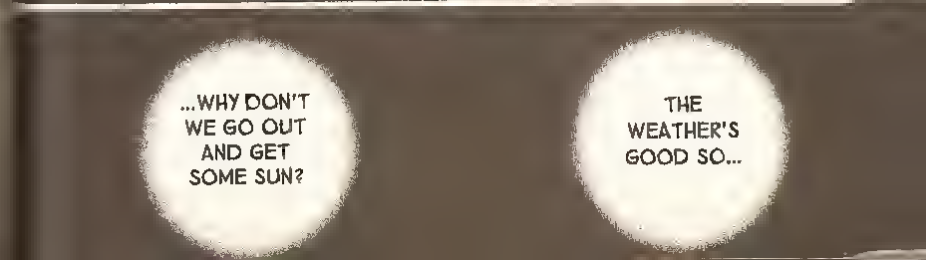
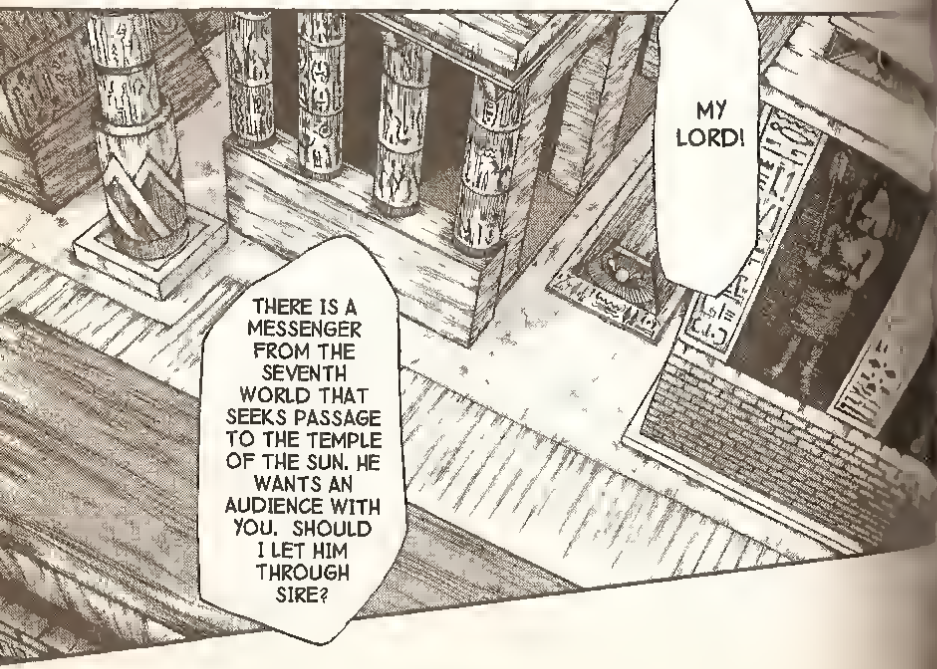

...SHOULD I TELL YOU SOME-THING...
...THAT WILL MAKE YOU HATE ME, SEEU?

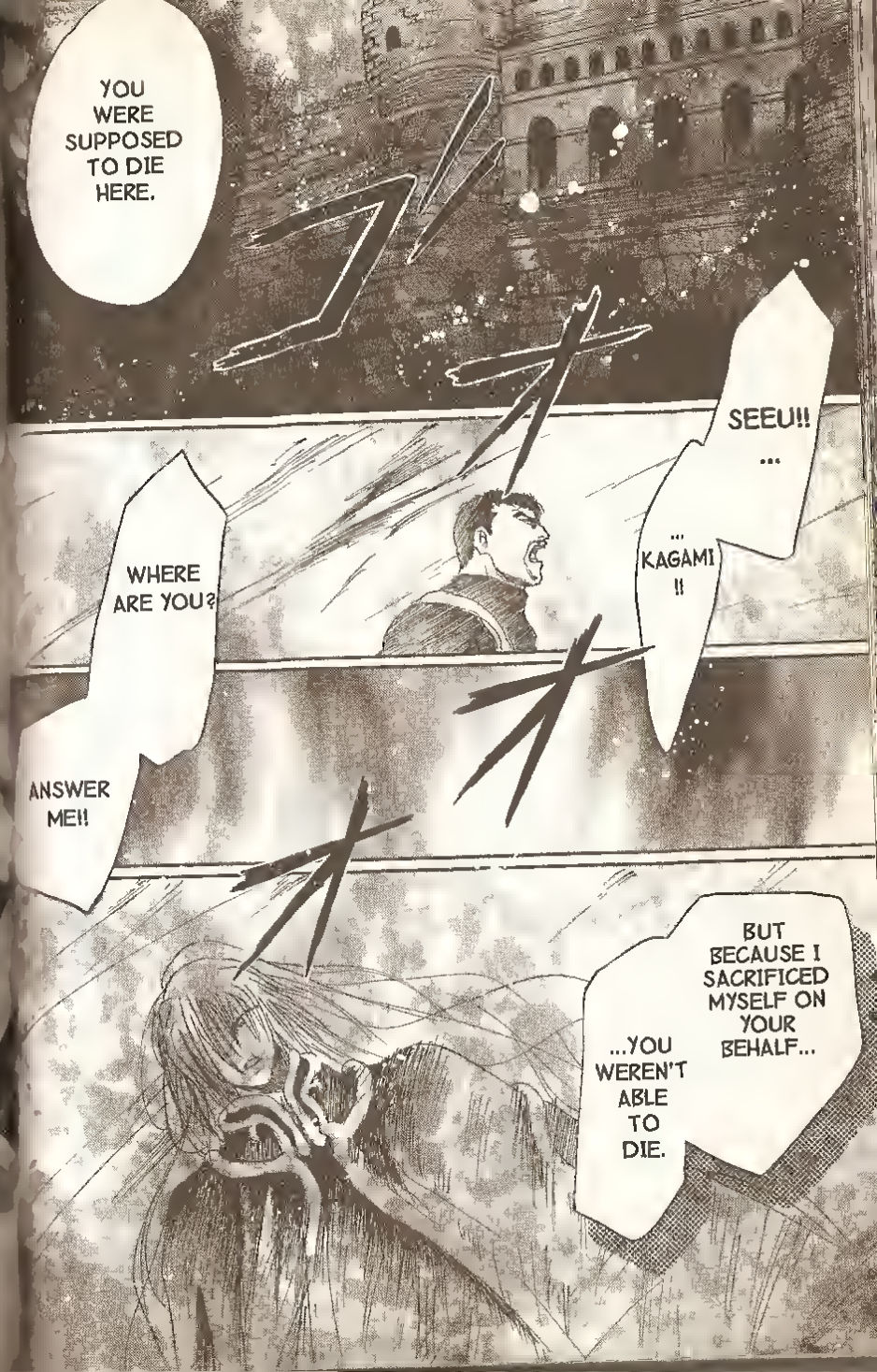

...THEY ARE BOTH SO ALIKE... SO EQUALLY ANNOYING.

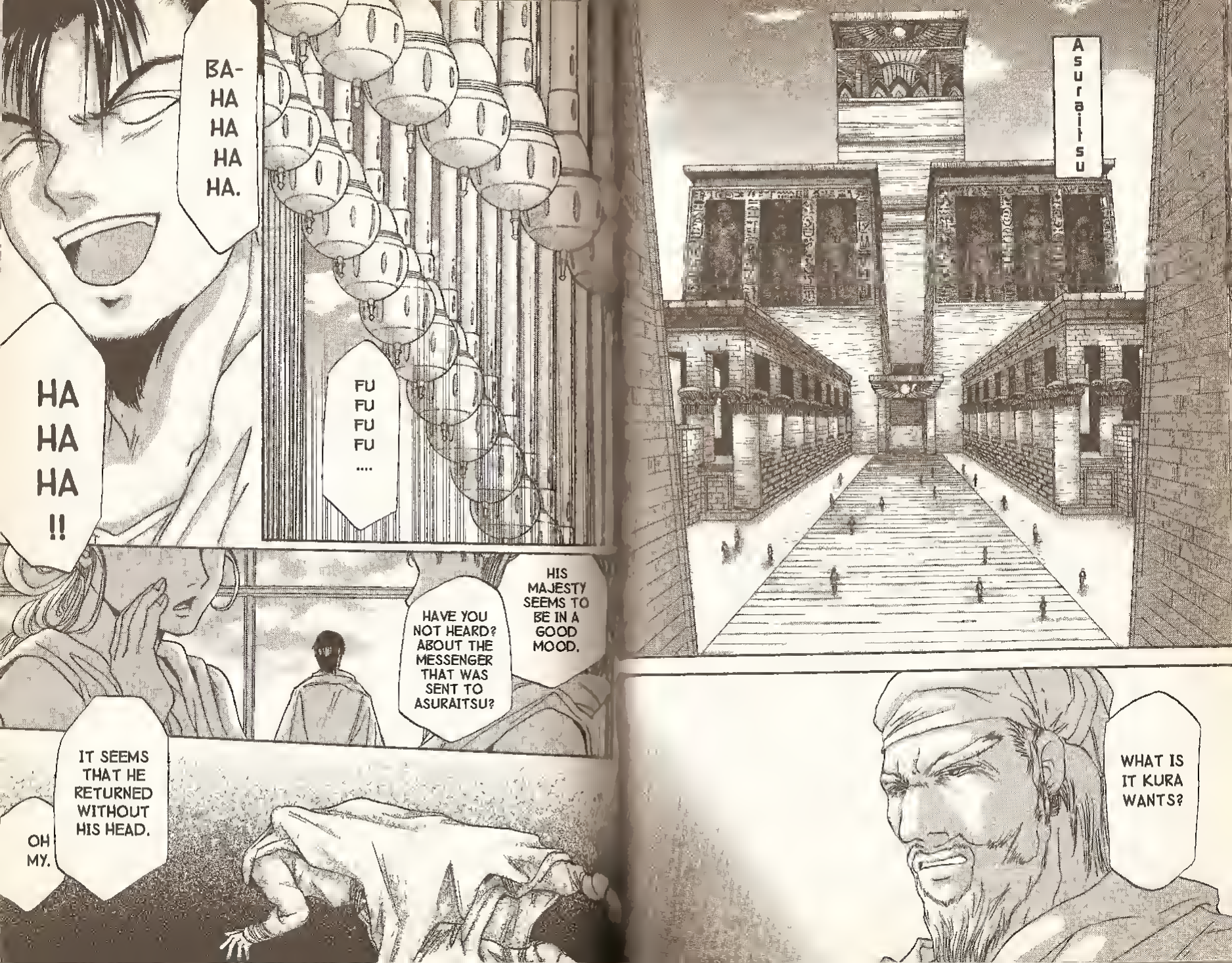
...MY MEMORIES.
VERLAP

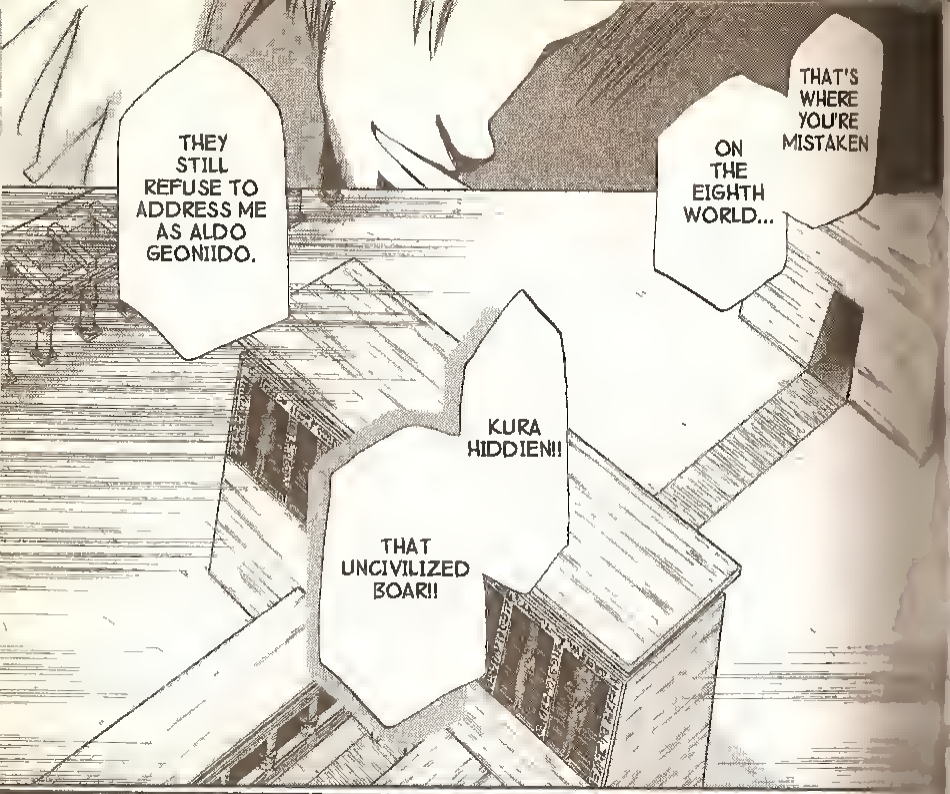

...WHY DON'T WE GO OUT AND GET SOME SUN?
THE WEATHER'S GOOD SO...

...YOU AREN'T ABLE TO DIE YET.
BECAUSE OF ME...


THERE IS A MESSENGER FROM THE SEVENTH WORLD THAT SEEKS PASSAGE TO THE TEMPLE OF THE SUN. HE WANTS AN AUDIENCE WITH YOU. SHOULD I LET HIM THROUGH SIRE?
MY LORD!

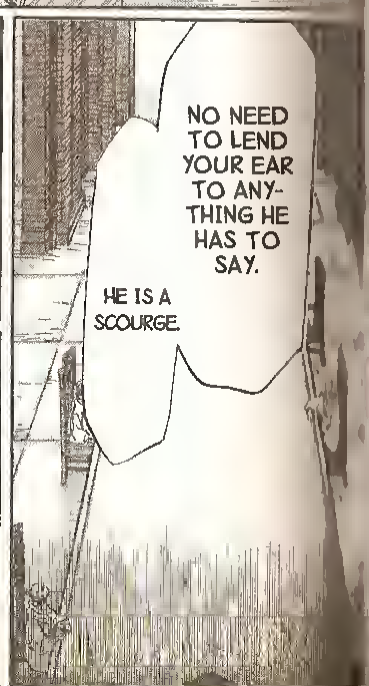

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO DIE HERE.
SEEU!!
...
...KAGAMI !!
WHERE ARE YOU?
ANSWER ME!!
...YOU WEREN'T ABLE TO DIE.
BUT BECAUSE I SACRIFICED MYSELF ON YOUR BEHALF...

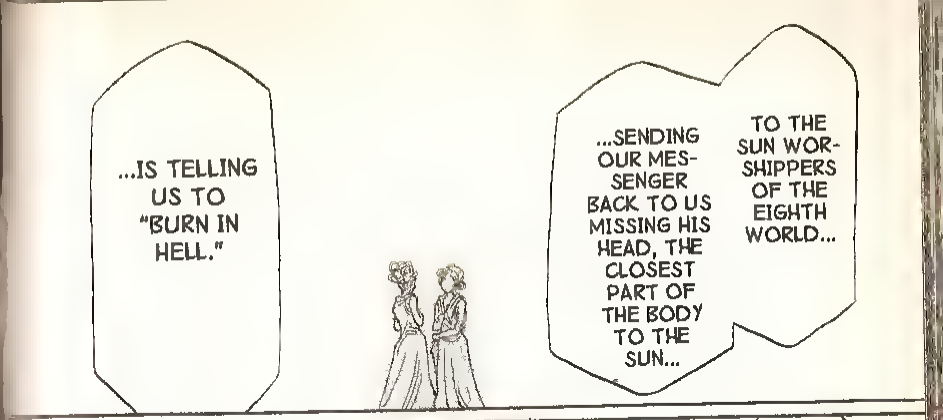

BA-HA HA HA HA.
FU FU FU FU ....
HA HA HA !!
HIS MAJESTY SEEMS TO BE IN A GOOD MOOD.
HAVE YOU NOT HEARD? ABOUT THE MESSENGER THAT WAS SENT TO ASURAITSU?
IT SEEMS THAT HE RETURNED WITHOUT HIS HEAD.
OH MY.
Asuraitsu
WHAT IS IT KURA WANTS?

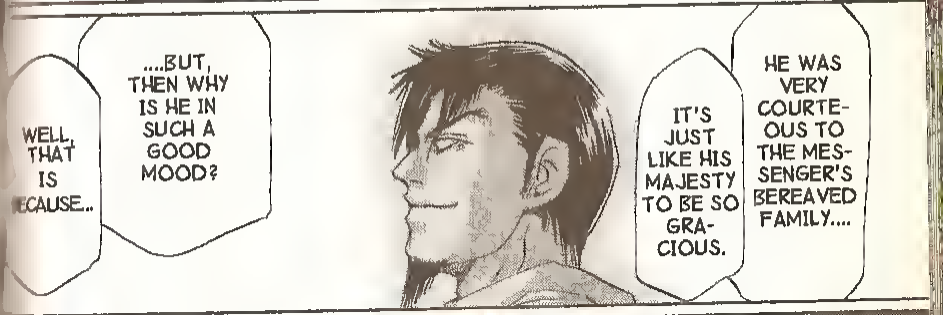

THEY STILL REFUSE TO ADDRESS ME AS ALDO GEONIIDO.
THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE MISTAKEN
ON THE EIGHTH WORLD...
KURA HIDDIEN!!
THAT UNCIVILIZED BOAR!!

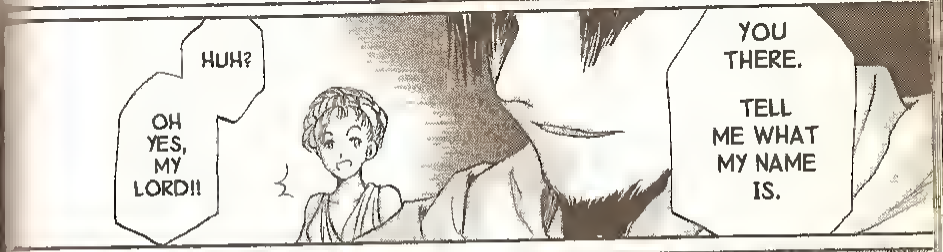
IT WAS BOAR, SIRE.
WAS IT THE WOLF? OR THE TIGER?
WHAT WAS THEIR NICKNAME FOR ME AGAIN, IDOU?

AND I DON'T EVEN LIKE BOARS. THEY ARE UGLY, DIRTY CREATURES.
THAT'S RIGHT!

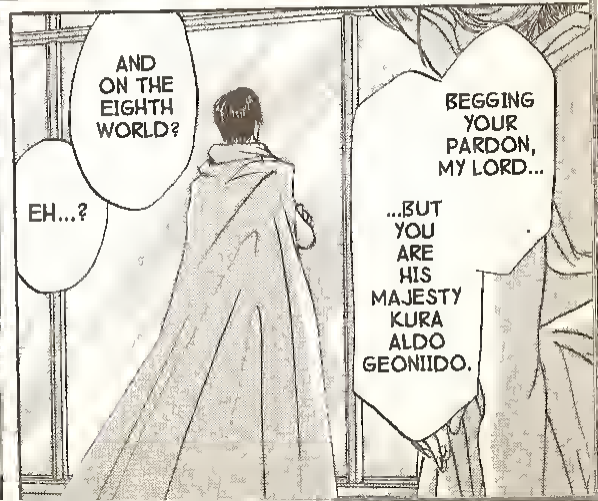

NO NEED TO LEND YOUR EAR TO ANY-THING HE HAS TO SAY.
HE IS A SCOURGE.


...IS TELLING US TO "BURN IN HELL."
...SENDING OUR MES-SENGER BACK TO US MISSING HIS HEAD, THE CLOSEST PART OF THE BODY TO THE SUN...
TO THE SUN WOR-SHIPPERS OF THE EIGHTH WORLD...


WELL, THAT IS BECAUSE...
....BUT, THEN WHY IS HE IN SUCH A GOOD MOOD?
IT'S JUST LIKE HIS MAJESTY TO BE SO GRA-CIOUS.
HE WAS VERY COURTE-OUS TO THE MES-SENGER'S BEREAVED FAMILY....


HUH?
OH YES, MY LORD!!
YOU THERE.
TELL ME WHAT MY NAME IS.

NEVER MIND, MY LORD. YOUR MAJESTY IS YOUR MAJESTY.

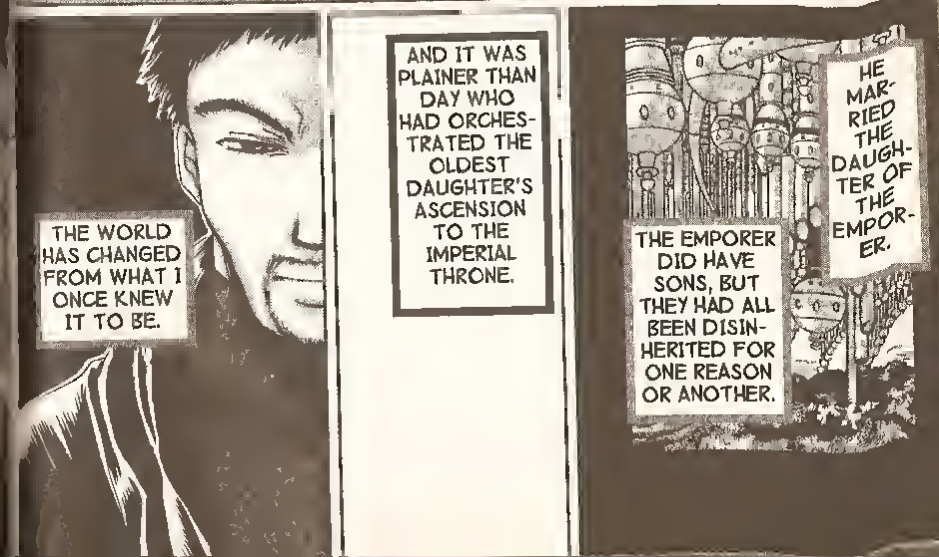

EH...?
AND ON THE EIGHTH WORLD?
BEGGING YOUR PARDON, MY LORD...
...BUT YOU ARE HIS MAJESTY KURA ALDO GEONIIDO.

YOU ARE IDOU, YES? TELL ME...
ASURAITSU'S SENATE HAS NOT.
PRIDE WILL NEVER ALLOW THEM TO ACCEPT KURA'S RULE.
I'M MERELY A FIGUREHEAD MANIPULATED BY A POLITICAL BOAR?
MY FATHER COWERED AT EVERY THREAT.
MY BROTHERS ARE FAILURES.
HOW FARES MY REPUTATION?

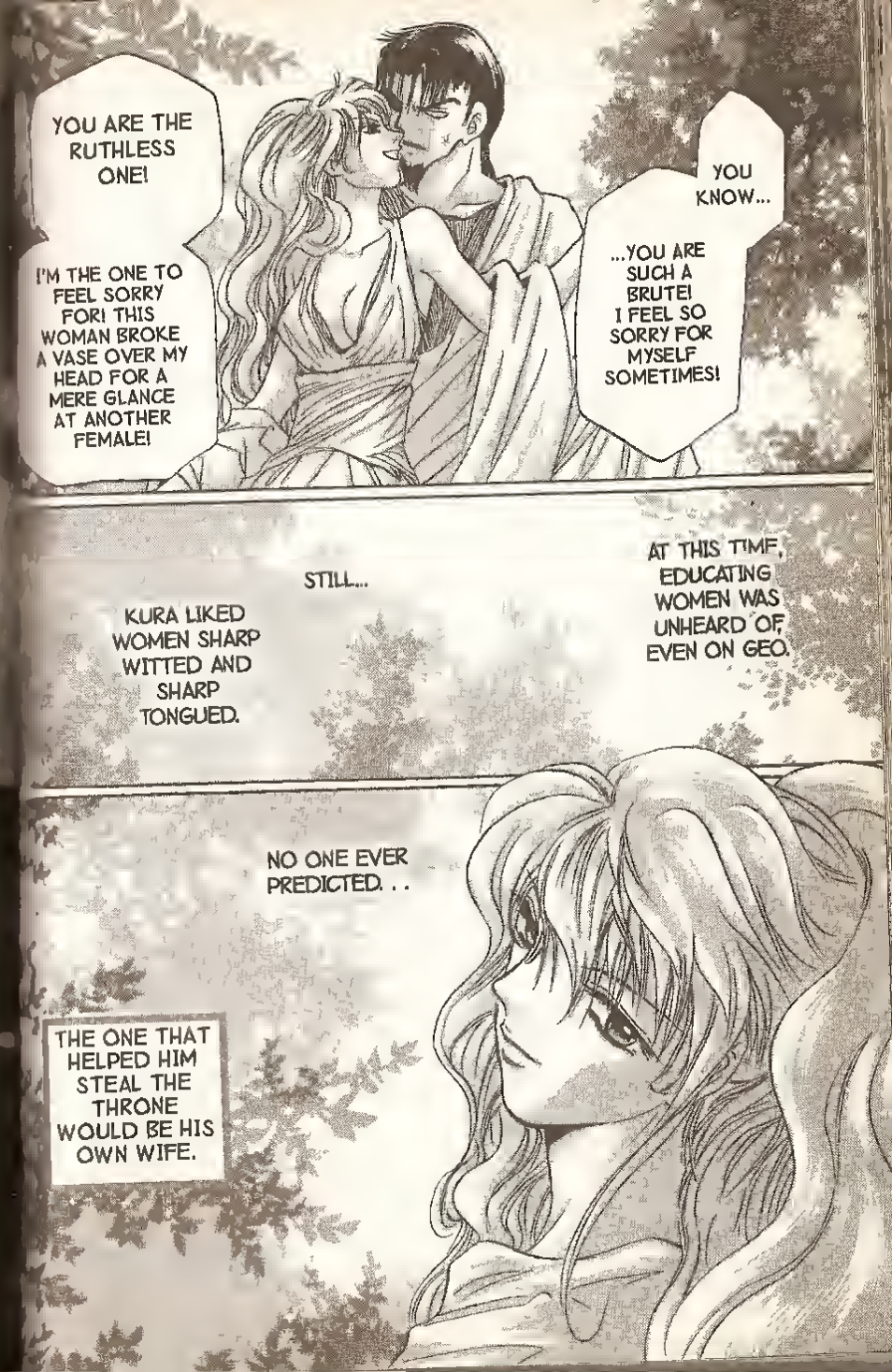
KURA WAS...

TEE HEE
AM I TRULY THAT UGLY? AM I?

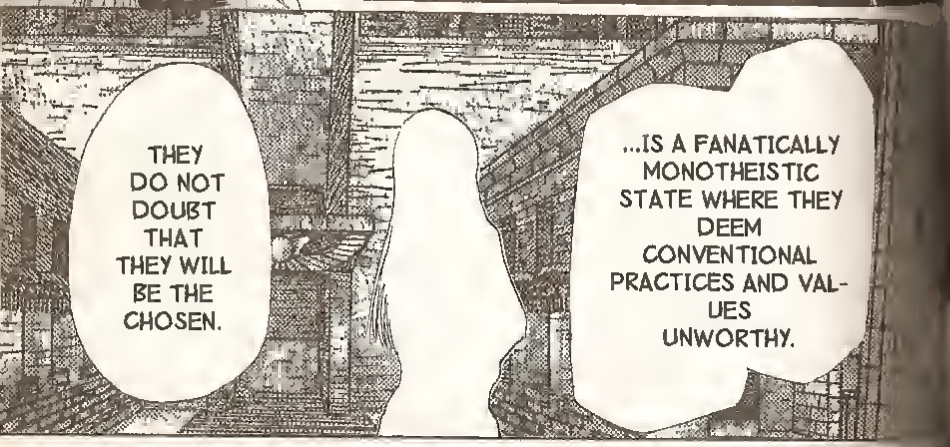
BUT HE USED WHAT LITTLE HE HADTO ITS FULL POTENTIAL AND MADE HIS WAY TO THE TOP.
THE ILLEGITIMATE SON OF AN ILLEGITIMATE SON TO ONE OF THE IMPERIAL FAMILY. HIS TIES TO THE THRONE WERE SHALLOW, TO SAY THE LEAST.

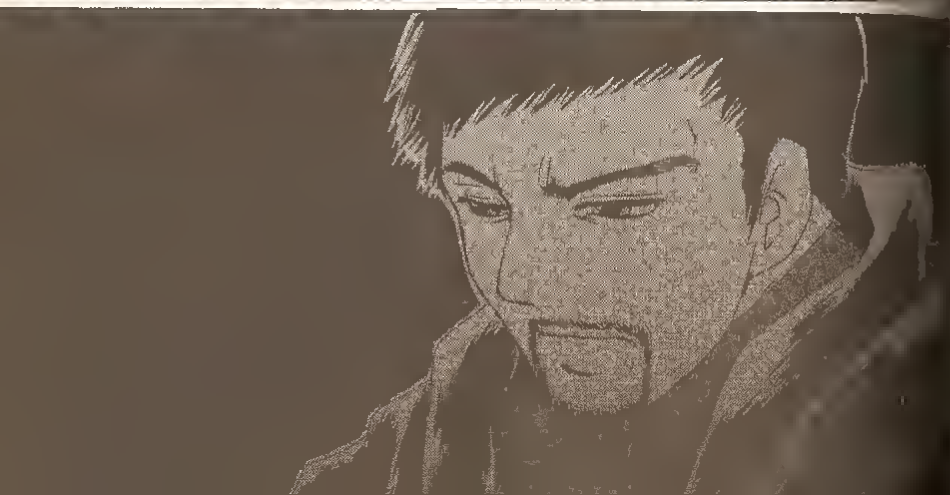

THE WORLD HAS CHANGED FROM WHAT I ONCE KNEW IT TO BE.
AND IT WAS PLAINER THAN DAY WHO HAD ORCHESTRATED THE OLDEST DAUGHTER'S ASCENSION TO THE IMPERIAL THRONE.
THE EMPORER DID HAVE SONS, BUT THEY HAD ALL BEEN DISINHERITED FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER.
HE MARRIED THE DAUGHTER OF THE EMPORER.

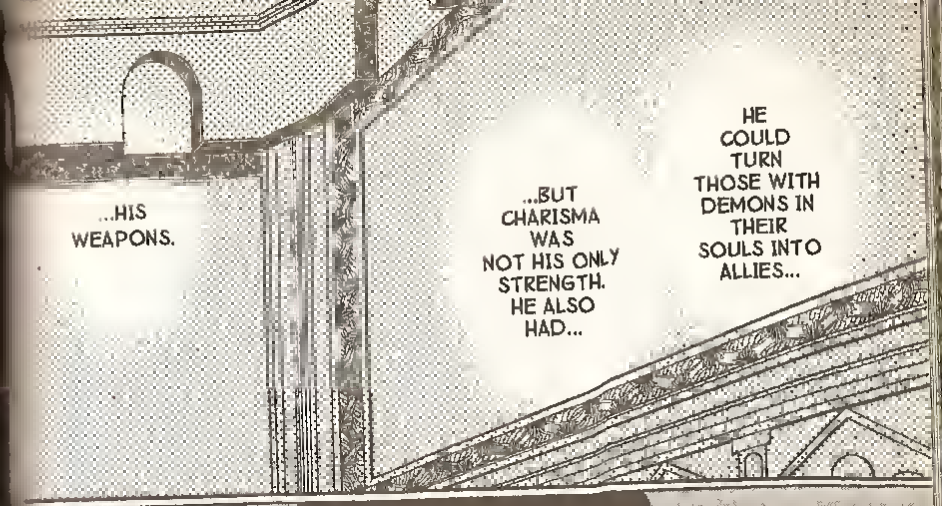
SHE BORE LITTLE RESEMBLANCE TO HER BLOODLINE AND DESPITE HER INTENSE TEMPERAMENT AND INTELLECT SHE WAS OFTEN OVERLOOKED
THEY MET AND IMMEDIATELY SET ABOUT DISPELLING HER UNFAIR REPUTATION.
SHE WAS 21
BUT RATHER A GENUINE ILLNESS.
SHE WAS A STRONG WOMAN, THAT ONE.
THOUGH BELIEVED TO BE, IT WAS NOT A SCHEME OF KURA'S...
SHE DIED IN HER 40S, A YOUNG AGE.
BUT I WAGER SHE COULDN'T BEAR TO HAVE ME SEE HER AGE ANY FURTHER.
THEY WERE AS LOVING A COUPLE AS ANY OTHER.
THOUGH MANY FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE.

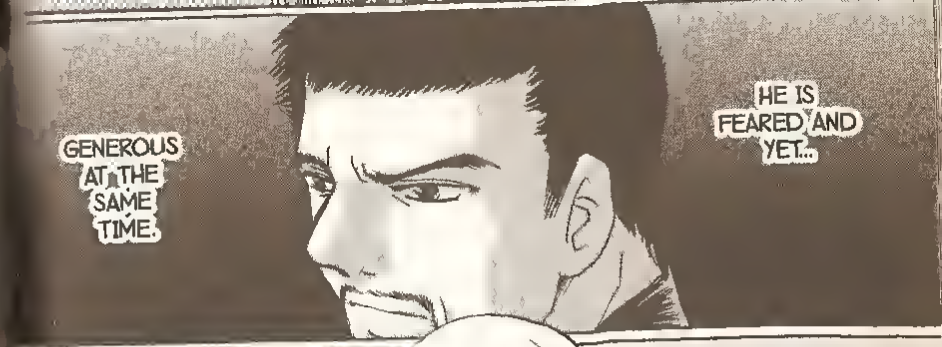

YOU ARE THE RUTHLESS ONE!
I'M THE ONE TO FEEL SORRY FOR! THIS WOMAN BROKE A VASE OVER MY HEAD FOR A MERE GLANCE AT ANOTHER FEMALE!
YOU KNOW...
...YOU ARE SUCH A BRUTE! I FEEL SO SORRY FOR MYSELF SOMETIMES!
STILL...
KURA LIKED WOMEN SHARP WITTED AND SHARP TONGUED.
AT THIS TIME, EDUCATING WOMEN WAS UNHEARD OF, EVEN ON GEO.
NO ONE EVER PREDICTED. . .
THE ONE THAT HELPED HIM STEAL THE THRONE WOULD BE HIS OWN WIFE.

ASURAITSU ...
...MEANING WHAT?


THEY DO NOT DOUBT THAT THEY WILL BE THE CHOSEN.
...IS A FANATICALLY MONOTHEISTIC STATE WHERE THEY DEEM CONVENTIONAL PRACTICES AND VALUES UNWORTHY.




...HIS WEAPONS.
...BUT CHARISMA WAS NOT HIS ONLY STRENGTH. HE ALSO HAD...
HE COULD TURN THOSE WITH DEMONS IN THEIR SOULS INTO ALLIES...

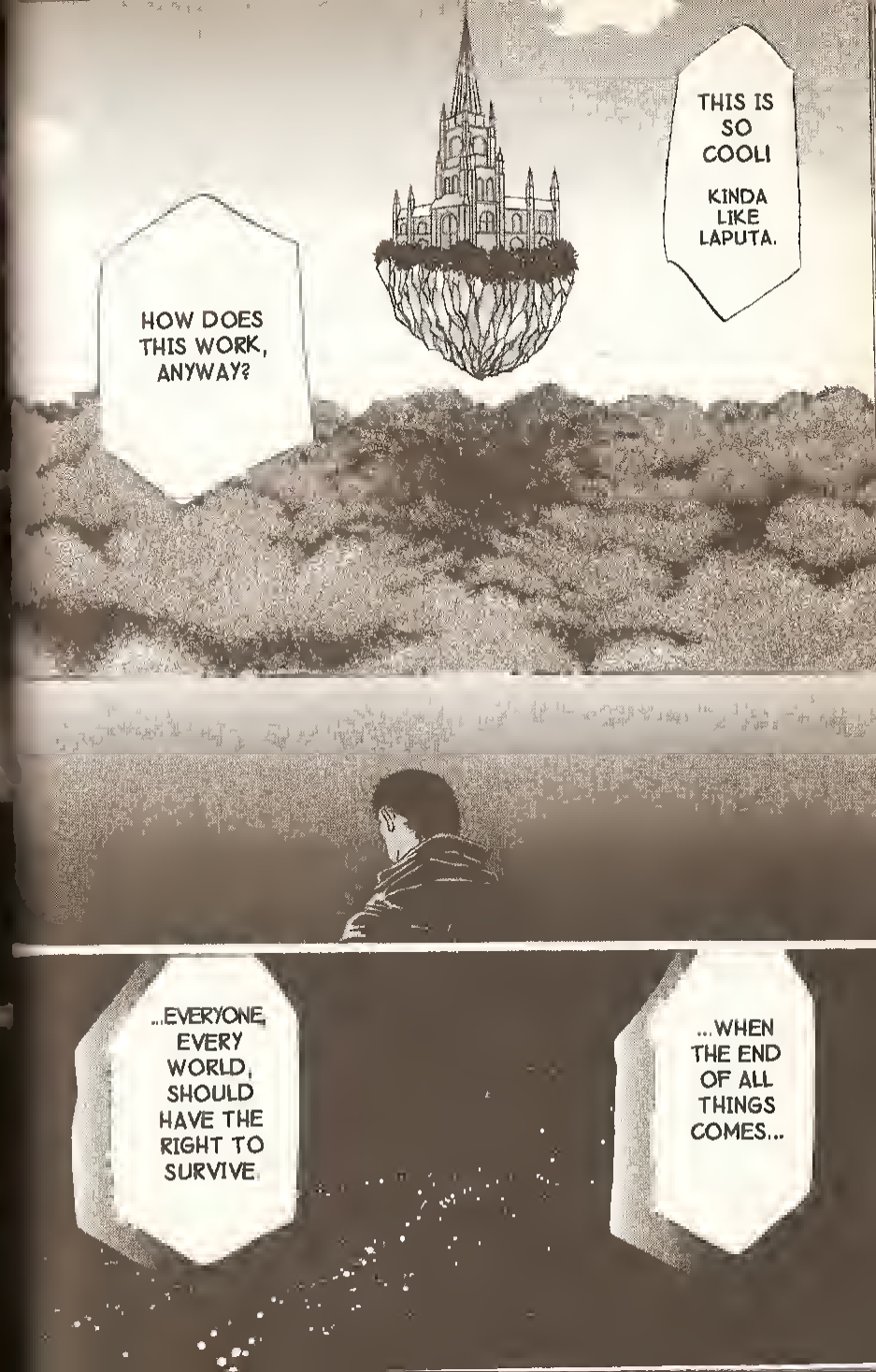

GENEROUS AT THE SAME TIME.
HE IS FEARED AND YET...

I AM CLOSE TO THE TRUTH, NO?
...THIS IS WHY YOU BETRAYED THE EIGHTH WORLD AND CAME HERE.

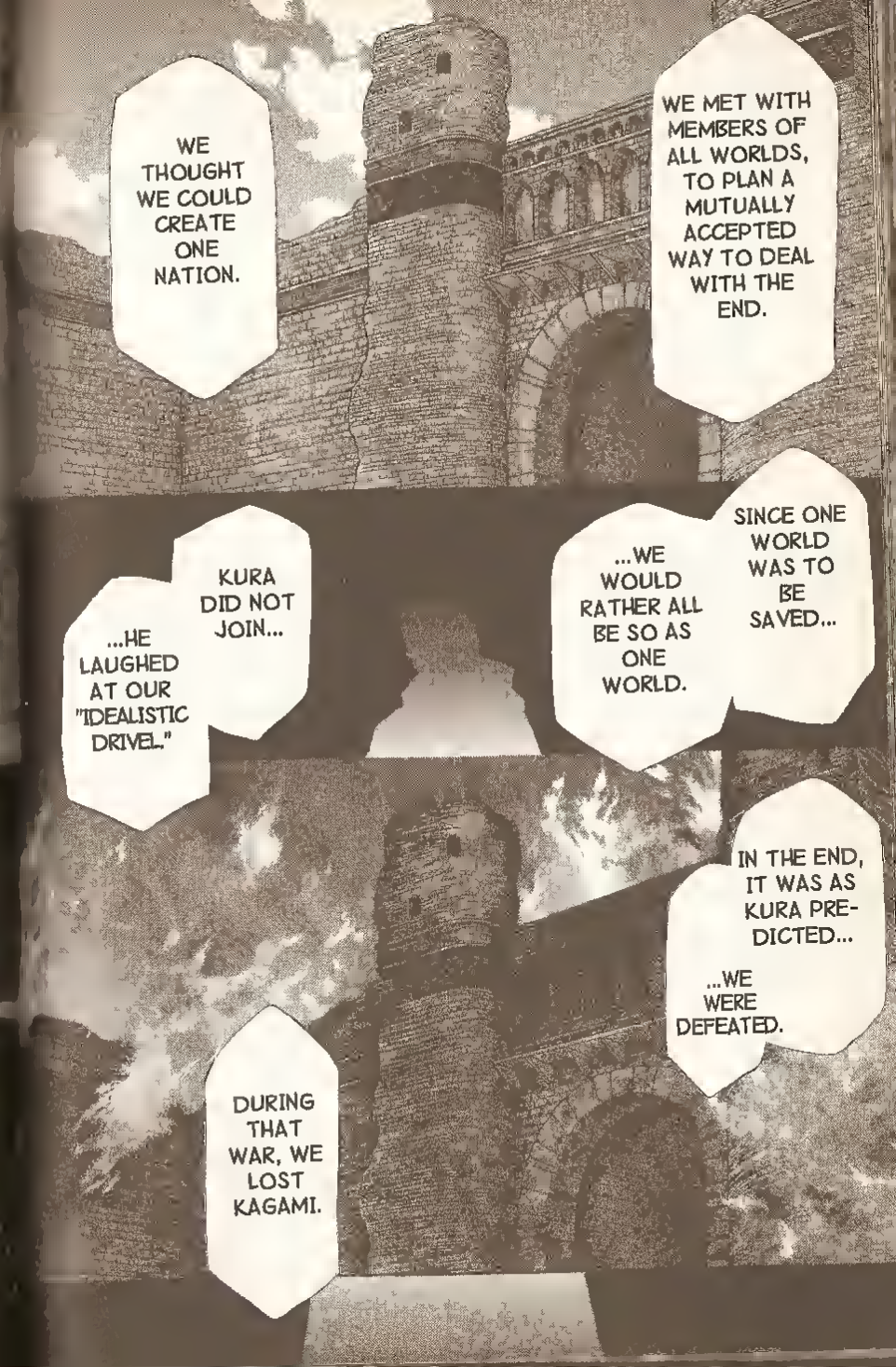
SEEU-SAN, WE'RE FLYING!
HA! IT'S FLOATING!!!

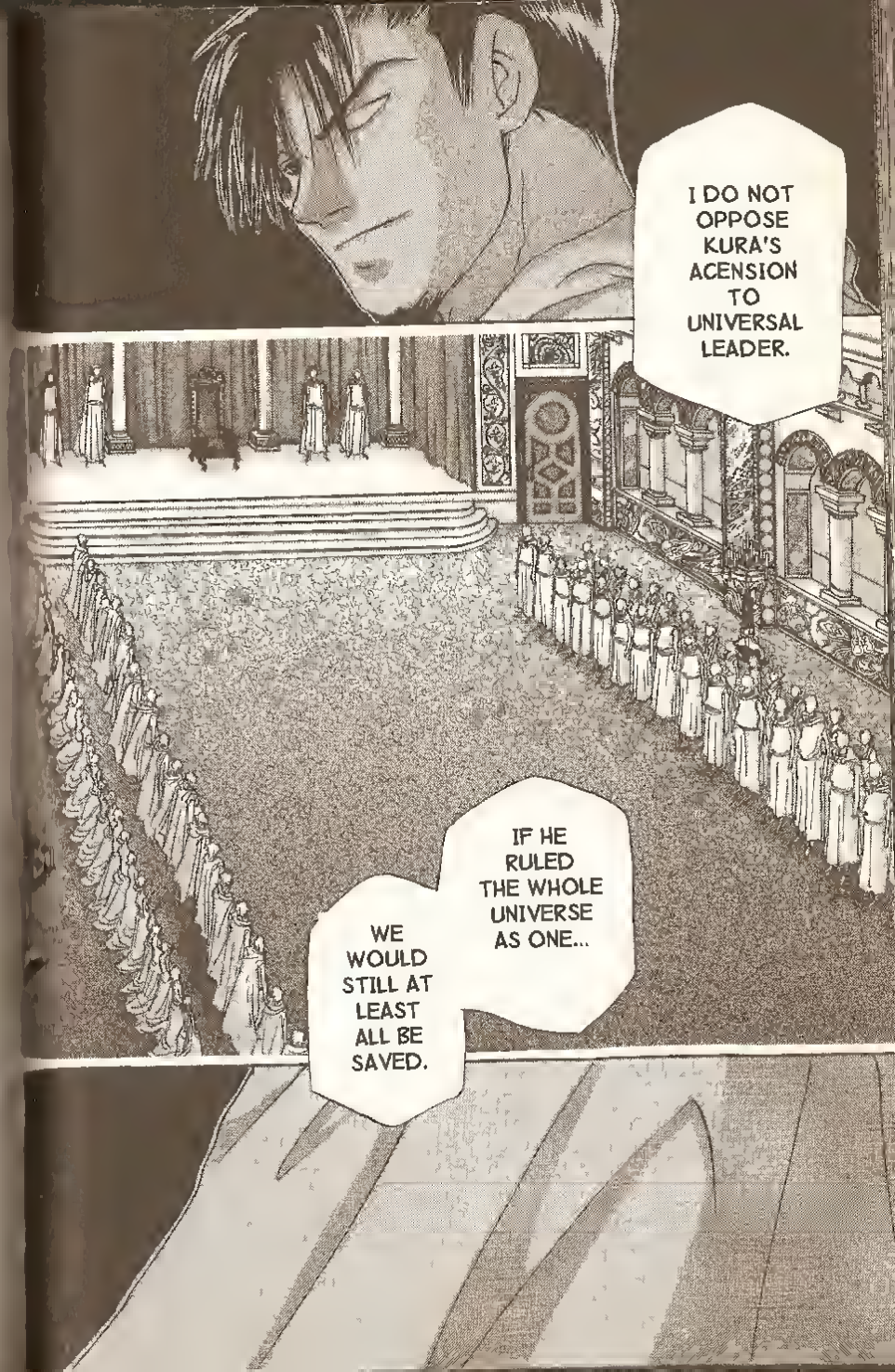
SHE- KAGUYA- CAN SAVE ONLY ONE WORLD.
EIGHTH WORLDERS BELIEVE THEMSELVES TO BE CHOSEN. THEY VIEW THE DESTRUCTION OF ALL ELSE AS A CLEANSING.
WOW!!

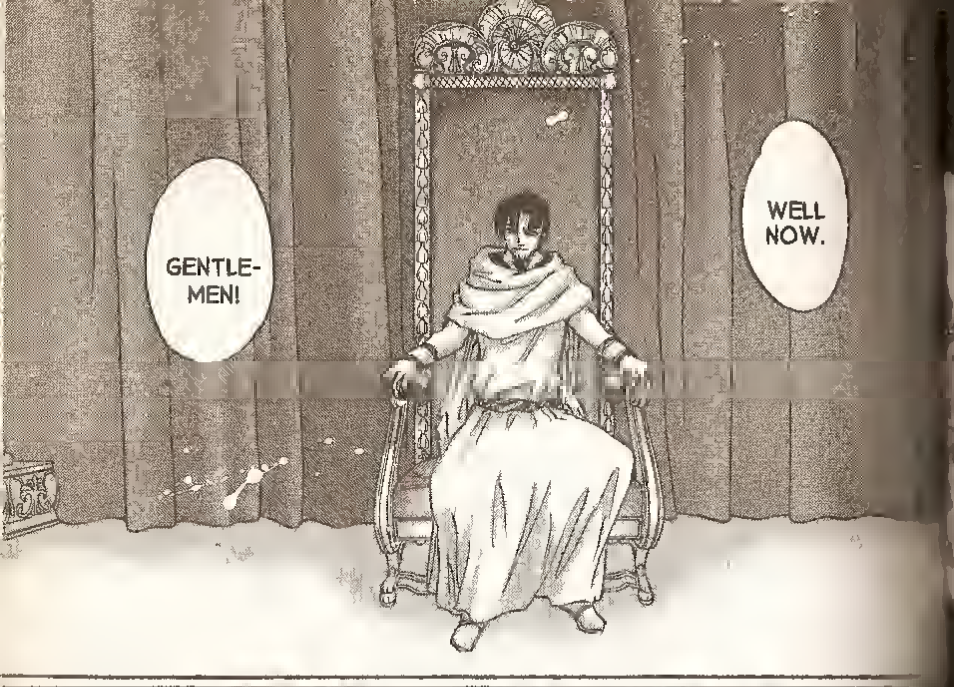
EACH HAS IT'S OWN VALUE.
EACH HAS A UNIQUE HISTORY, CULTURE...
I CANNOT SAY THAT WE CAN SAVE EVERY ONE...
...BUT WE CAN TRY TO SAVE EVERY WORLD.
THIS IS WHY...
NONE IS SUPERIOR TO THE NEXT.
...WHY I, WITH SEEU AND KAGAMI, TRIED TO CREATE A NEW ORDER.
THIS IS WHY I LEFT MY COUNTRY...
...MY PEOPLE MUST NOT SEIZE POWER.

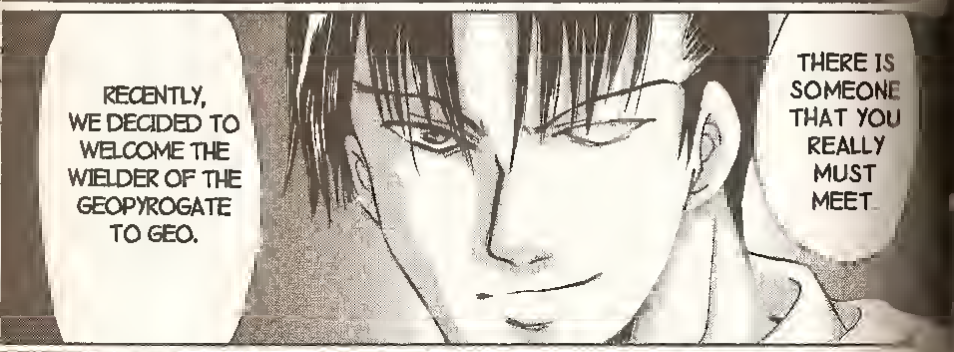

HOW DOES THIS WORK, ANYWAY?
THIS IS SO COOL! KINDA LIKE LAPUTA.
...EVERYONE, EVERY WORLD, SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO SURVIVE.
...WHEN THE END OF ALL THINGS COMES...

HE PROMISED ME...
I THEN DECIDED TO FOLLOW KURA.
HE PROMISED THAT OTHER WORLDERS WOULD BE PERMITTED TO IMMIGRATE AND GIVEN LIMITED CITIZENSHIP
RULE WITH COM-PASSION.
THAT GEO WOULD RULE SUPREME AND HE WOULD
I DO NOT CARE WHO RULES OVER THEM.
WHAT MATTERS IS THAT PEOPLE FROM ALL WORLDS SURVIVE.
I'M TIRED OF MEANINGLESS WAR.


WE THOUGHT WE COULD CREATE ONE NATION.
WE MET WITH MEMBERS OF ALL WORLDS, TO PLAN A MUTUALLY ACCEPTED WAY TO DEAL WITH THE END.
KURA DID NOT JOIN...
...HE LAUGHED AT OUR "IDEALISTIC DRIVEL."
...WE WOULD RATHER ALL BE SO AS ONE WORLD.
SINCE ONE WORLD WAS TO BE SAVED...
IN THE END, IT WAS AS KURA PRE-DICTED...
...WE WERE DEFEATED.
DURING THAT WAR, WE LOST KAGAMI.


I DO NOT OPPOSE KURA'S ACENSION TO UNIVERSAL LEADER.
IF HE RULED THE WHOLE UNIVERSE AS ONE...
WE WOULD STILL AT LEAST ALL BE SAVED.


GENTLE-
MEN!
WELL
NOW.


RECENTLY,
WE DECIDED TO
WELCOME THE
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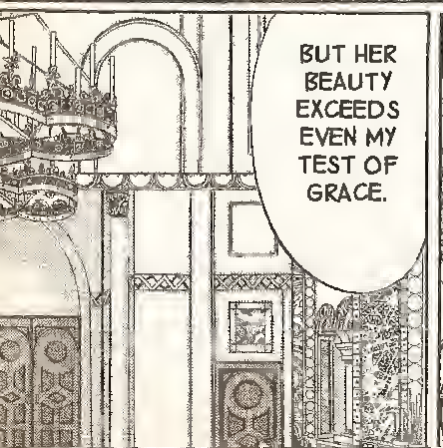
TO GEO.
THERE IS
SOMEONE
THAT YOU
REALLY
MUST
MEET.


BUT HER
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EXCEEDS
EVEN MY
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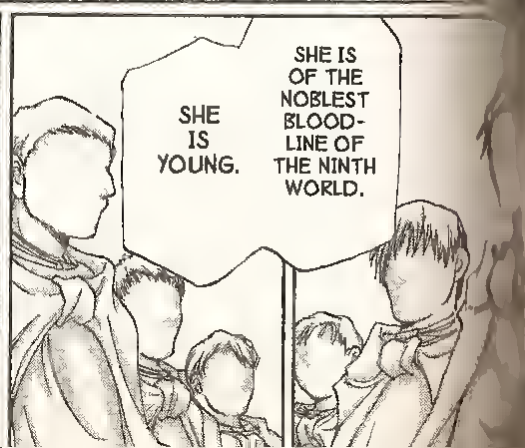
SHE
IS
YOUNG.
SHE IS
OF THE
NOBLEST
BLOOD-
LINE OF
THE NINTH
WORLD.

A multi-
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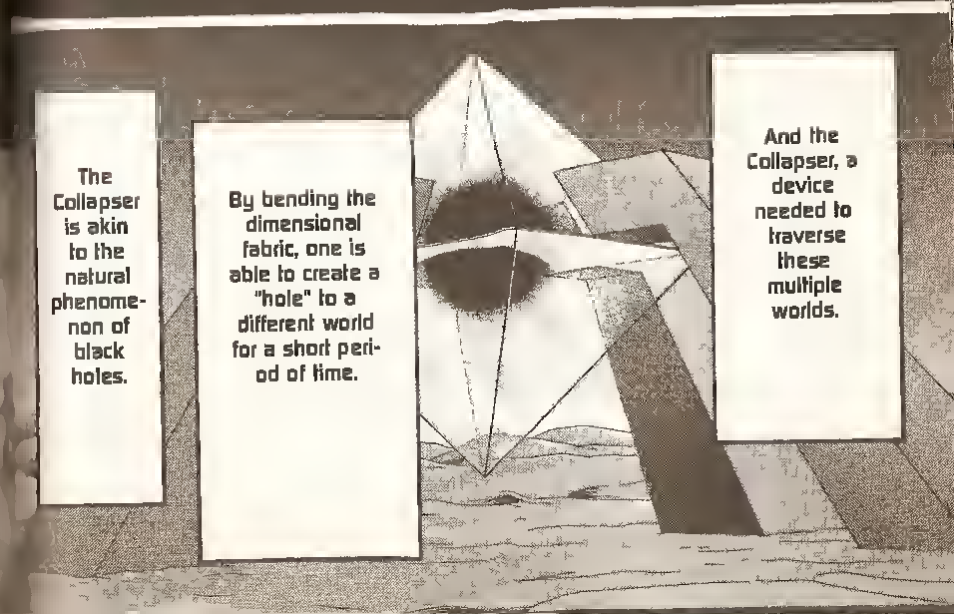
universe
with
mulliple
Earths.


The
Collapser
is akin
to the
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non of
black
holes.
By bending the
dimensional
fabric, one is
able to create a
"hole" to a
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And the
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needed to
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these
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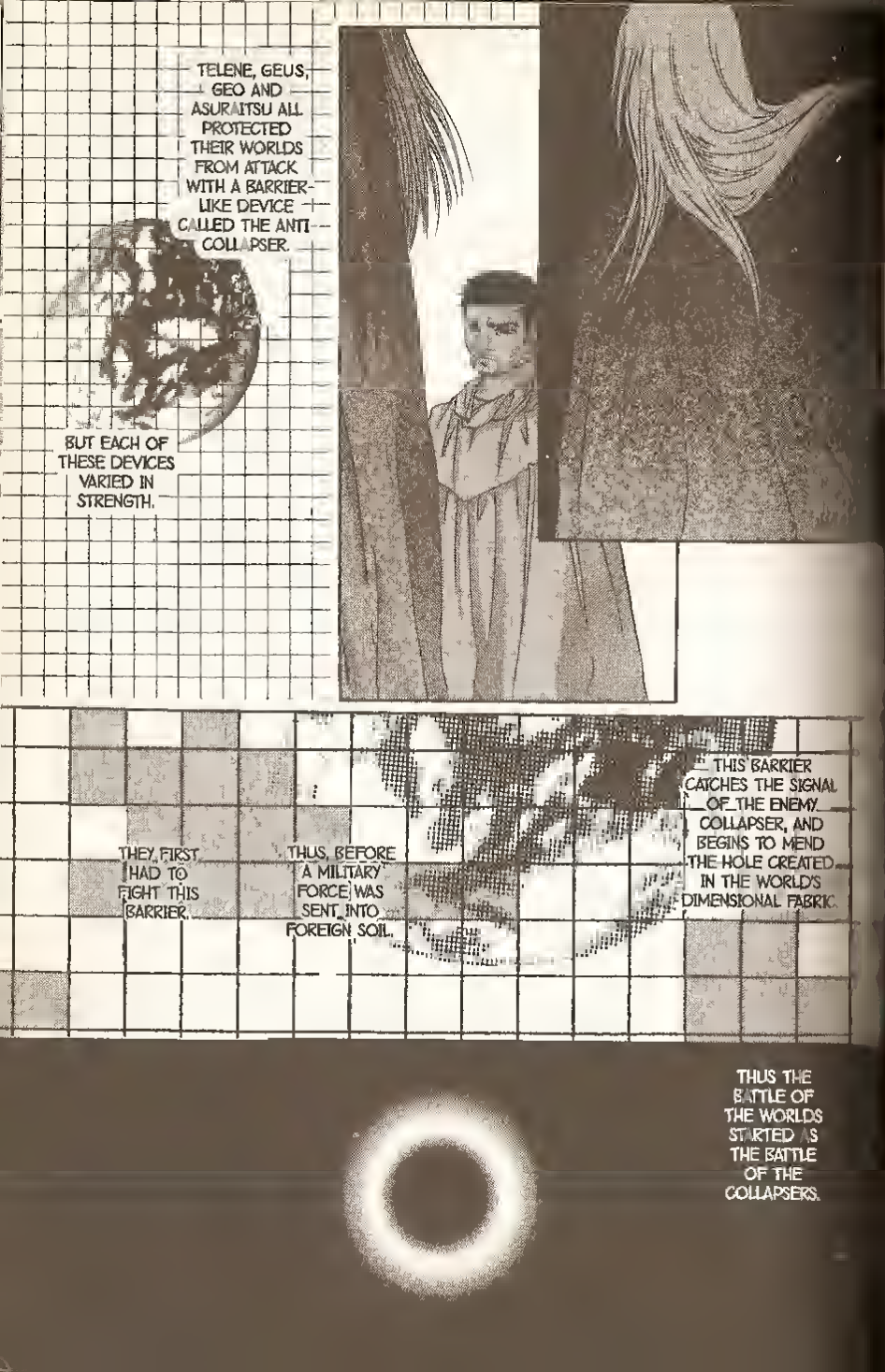
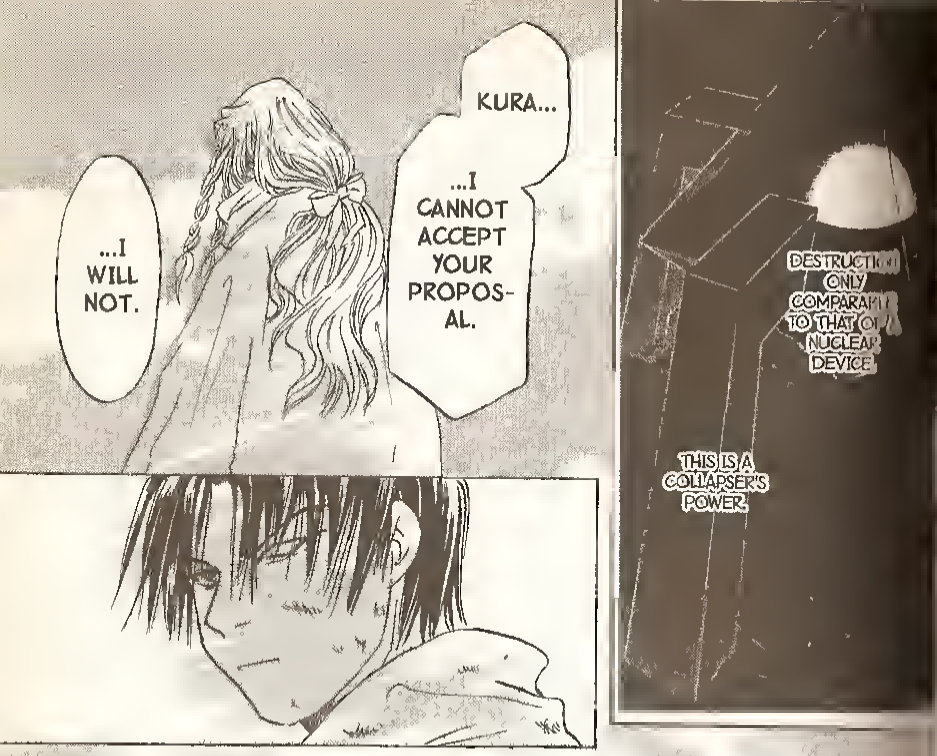
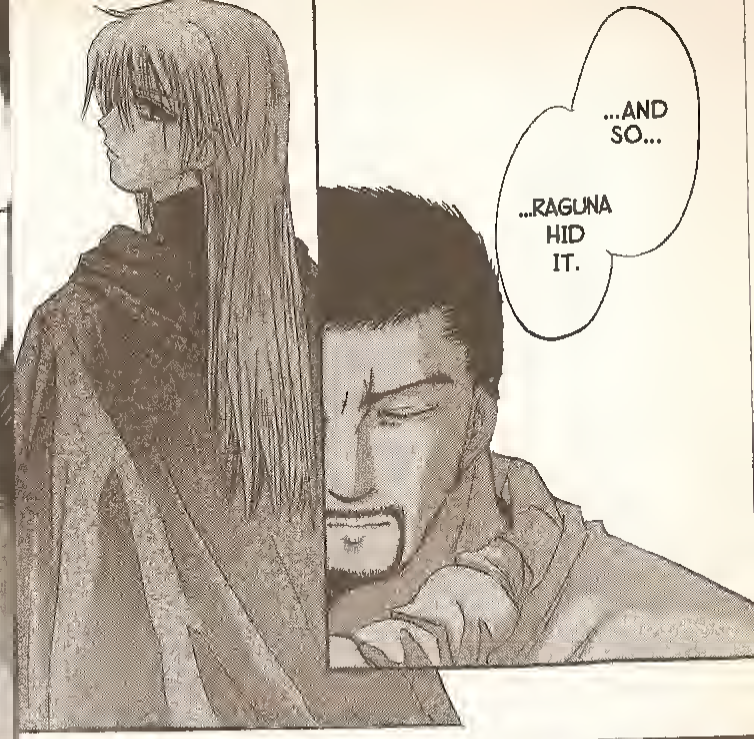
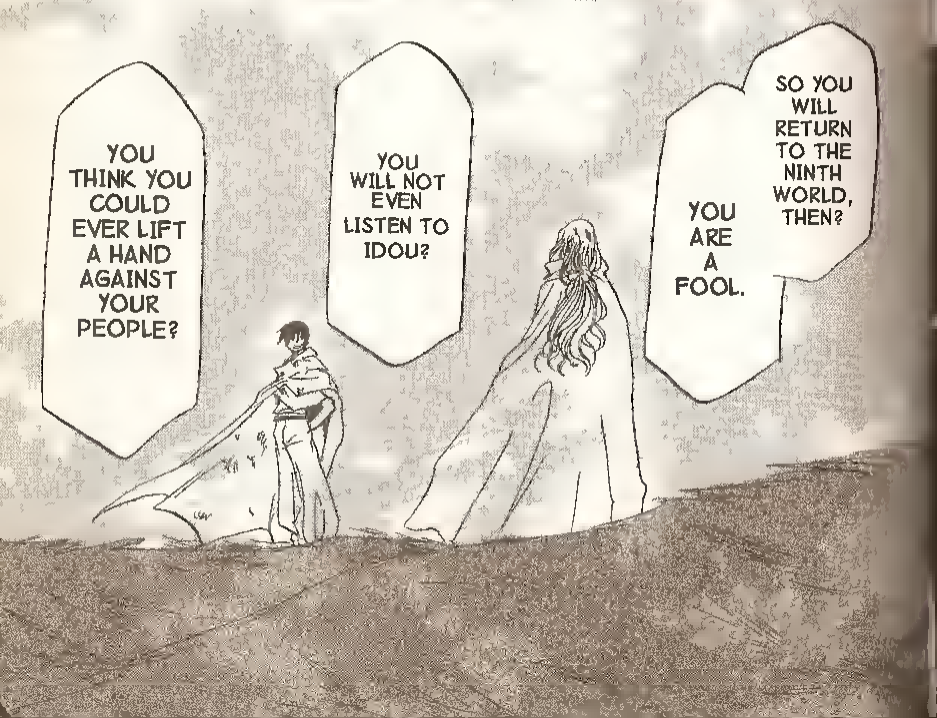
worlds.

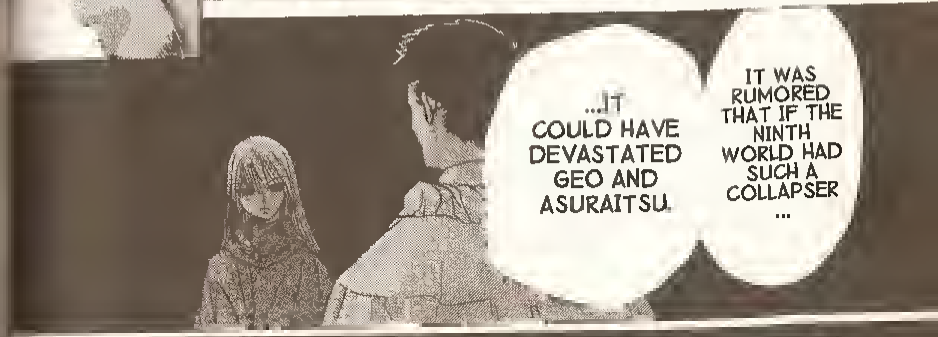

TELENE, GEUS, GEO AND ASURAITSU ALL PROTECTED THEIR WORLDS FROM ATTACK WITH A BARRIER-LIKE DEVICE CALLED THE ANTI-COLLAPSER.
BUT EACH OF THESE DEVICES VARIED IN STRENGTH.
THEY FIRST HAD TO FIGHT THIS BARRIER.
THUS, BEFORE A MILITARY FORCE WAS SENT INTO FOREIGN SOIL.
THIS BARRIER CATCHES THE SIGNAL OF THE ENEMY COLLAPSER, AND BEGINS TO MEND THE HOLE CREATED IN THE WORLD'S DIMENSIONAL FABRIC.
THUS THE BATTLE OF THE WORLDS STARTED AS THE BATTLE OF THE COLLAPSERS.

HER NAME. IS SHIINA MOL BAMVIVIRIE.
It would be impossible to attack each other.
For without a way to pierce dimensions...
It was this very conflict that led to the birth of the Collapser.
A long history of war exists between Geo and Asuraitsu.





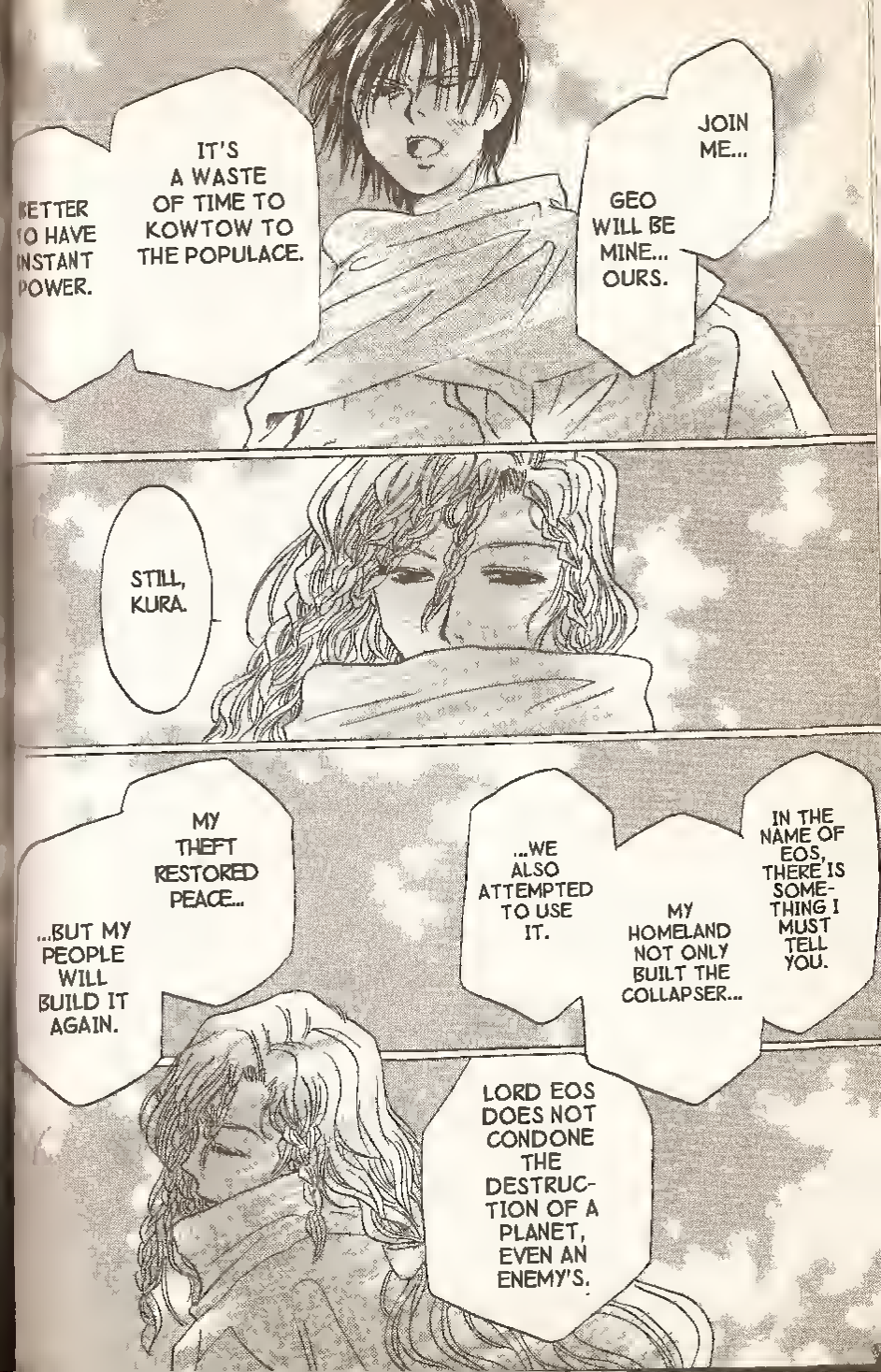

YOU THINK YOU COULD EVER LIFT A HAND AGAINST YOUR PEOPLE?
YOU WILL NOT EVEN LISTEN TO IDOU?
YOU ARE A FOOL.
SO YOU WILL RETURN TO THE NINTH WORLD, THEN?

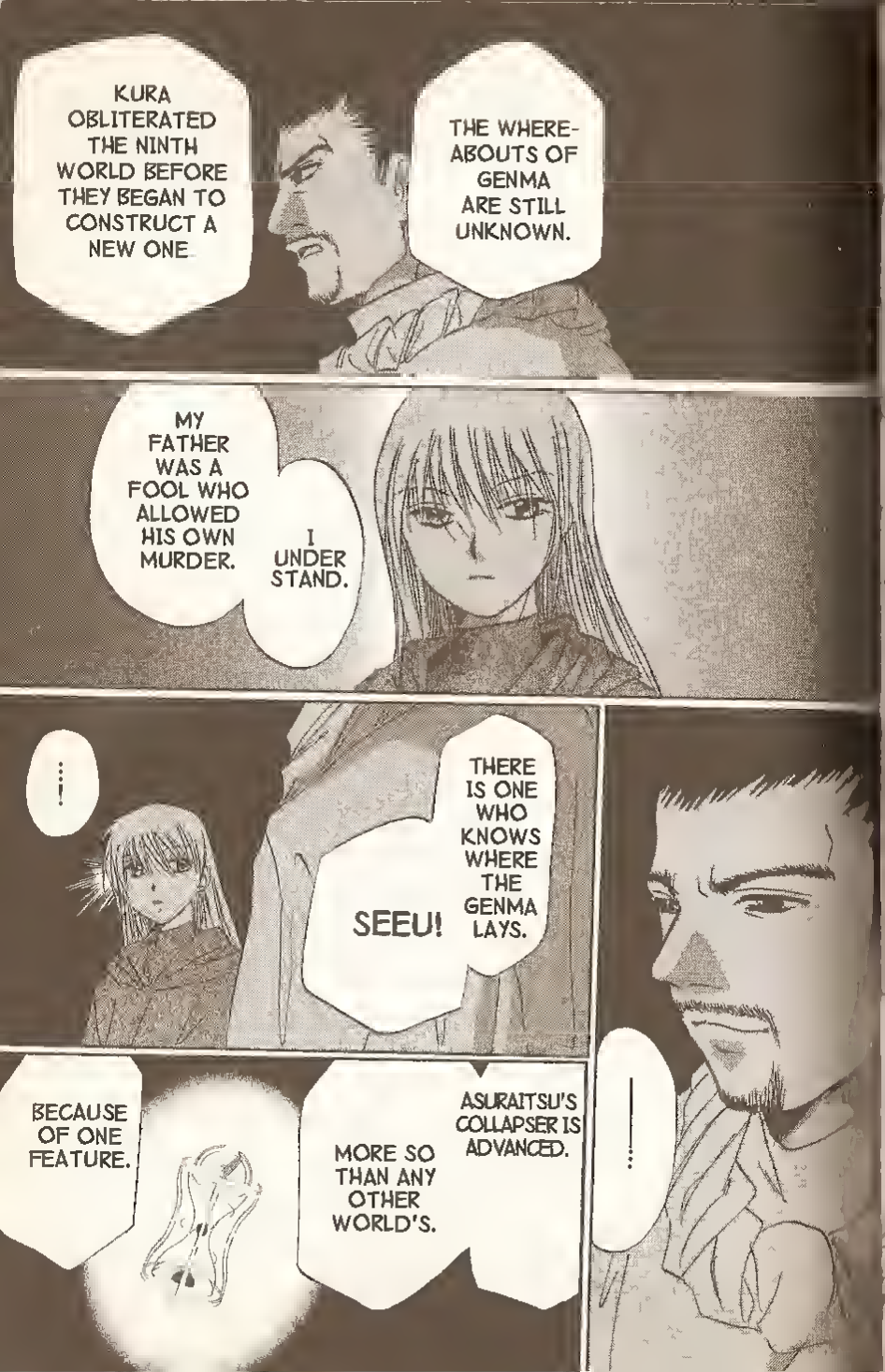


Would tear the fabric of space itself, and annihilate enemy lands.

This barrier and collapser would create mass destruction.

PEHAPS MY DEATH WILL BRING SOME TO THEIR SENSES.
IF YOU GO BACK, YOU WILL DIE.
YOU ARE TRULY A FOOL, AREN'T YOU?
YOU DID NOT SEE THIS FROM THE START?


JOIN ME...
GEO WILL BE MINE... OURS.
IT'S A WASTE OF TIME TO KOWTOW TO THE POPULACE.
BETTER TO HAVE INSTANT POWER.
STILL, KURA.
IN THE NAME OF EOS, THERE IS SOMETHING I MUST TELL YOU.
MY HOMELAND NOT ONLY BUILT THE COLLAPSER...
...WE ALSO ATTEMPTED TO USE IT.
MY THEFT RESTORED PEACE...
...BUT MY PEOPLE WILL BUILD IT AGAIN.
LORD EOS DOES NOT CONDONE THE DESTRUCTION OF A PLANET, EVEN AN ENEMY'S.


KURA OBLITERATED THE NINTH WORLD BEFORE THEY BEGAN TO CONSTRUCT A NEW ONE.
THE WHEREABOUTS OF GENMA ARE STILL UNKNOWN.
MY FATHER WAS A FOOL WHO ALLOWED HIS OWN MURDER.
I UNDER STAND.
...!
SEEU!
THERE IS ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE THE GENMA LAYS.
BECAUSE OF ONE FEATURE.
MORE SO THAN ANY OTHER WORLD'S.
ASURAITSU'S COLLAPSER IS ADVANCED.
...!

I WILL NEVER USE IT...
...I JUST WANT TO HAVE IT.
GENMA...
...GIVE IT TO ME.
FINE SO...
GIVE IT TO ME... WHAT IS IT? ...IT'S NAME
IT IS THE JEWEL, GENMA.
YES! THAT'S IT!
OTHER WORLDS WOULD... WHAT IS IT? "FEAR YOU"?
...MERE POSSESSION WOULD WARD OFF ENEMIES.
OF THIS I AM SURE...
THANKS TO YOU, MY FRIEND.
YOU HAVE BEEN PRACTICING COMMON SPEECH, YES?
CORRECT! FEAR ME!
I HAVE ENJOYED OUR "TALK".

HEY...
...YESTERDAY, I CAME HERE WITH MESHIE-SAN!
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN HERE, SEEU-SAN?
THIS RIVER LEADS ALL THE WAY TO THE SEA!
OVER THERE, IS A MARKET-PLACE THAT MESHIE-SAN'S HAS VISITED TONS OF TIMES!
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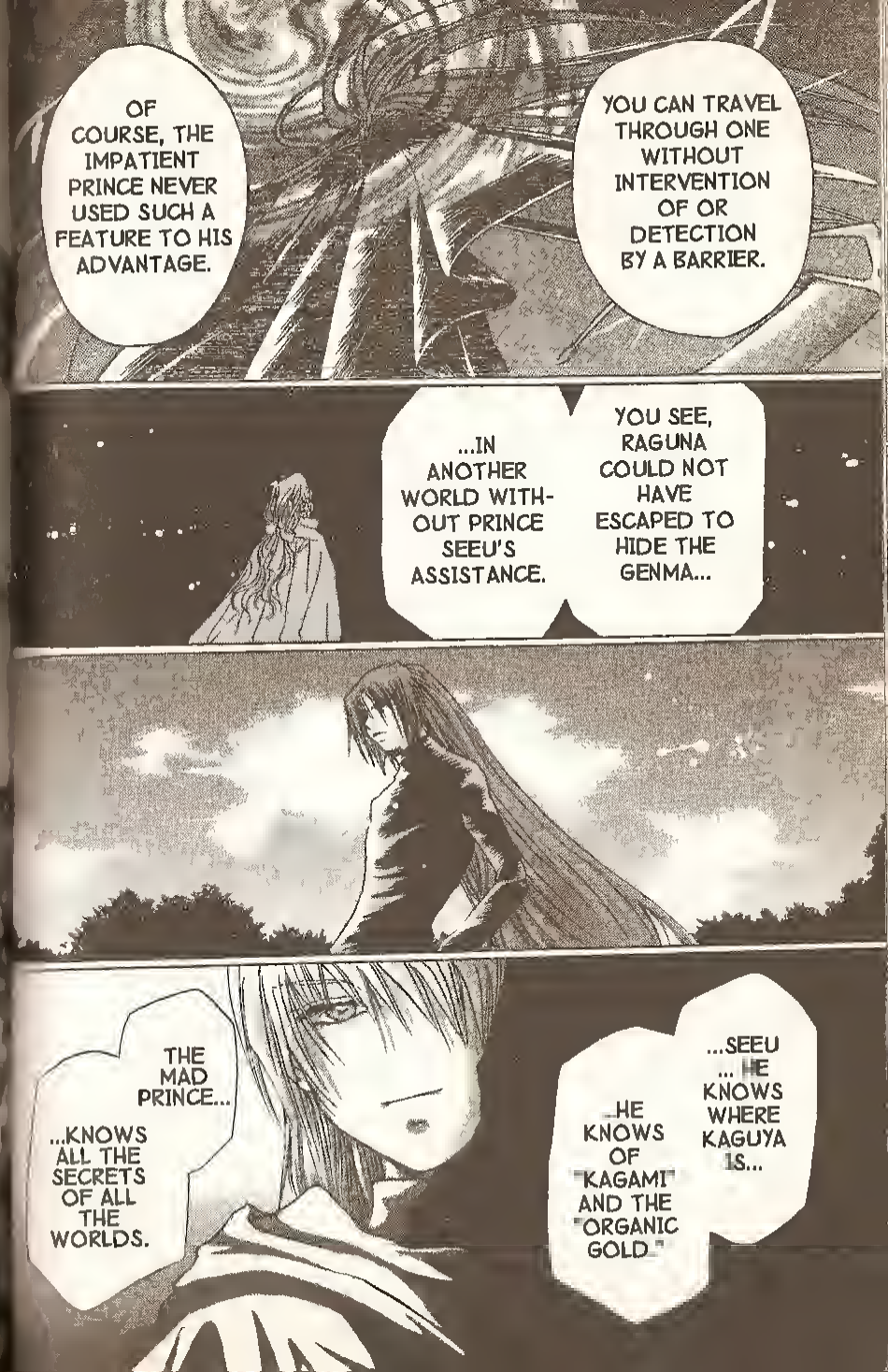
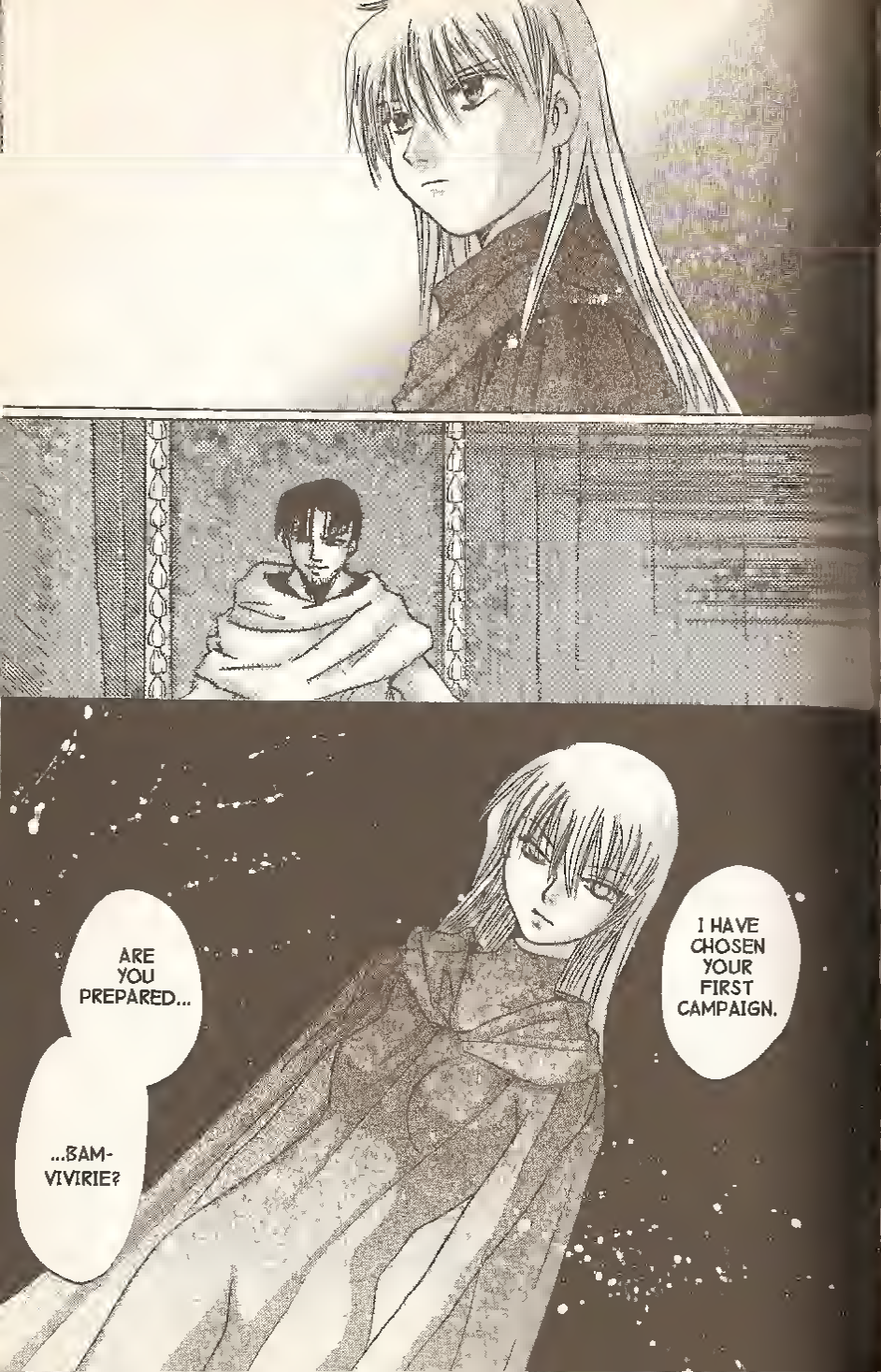
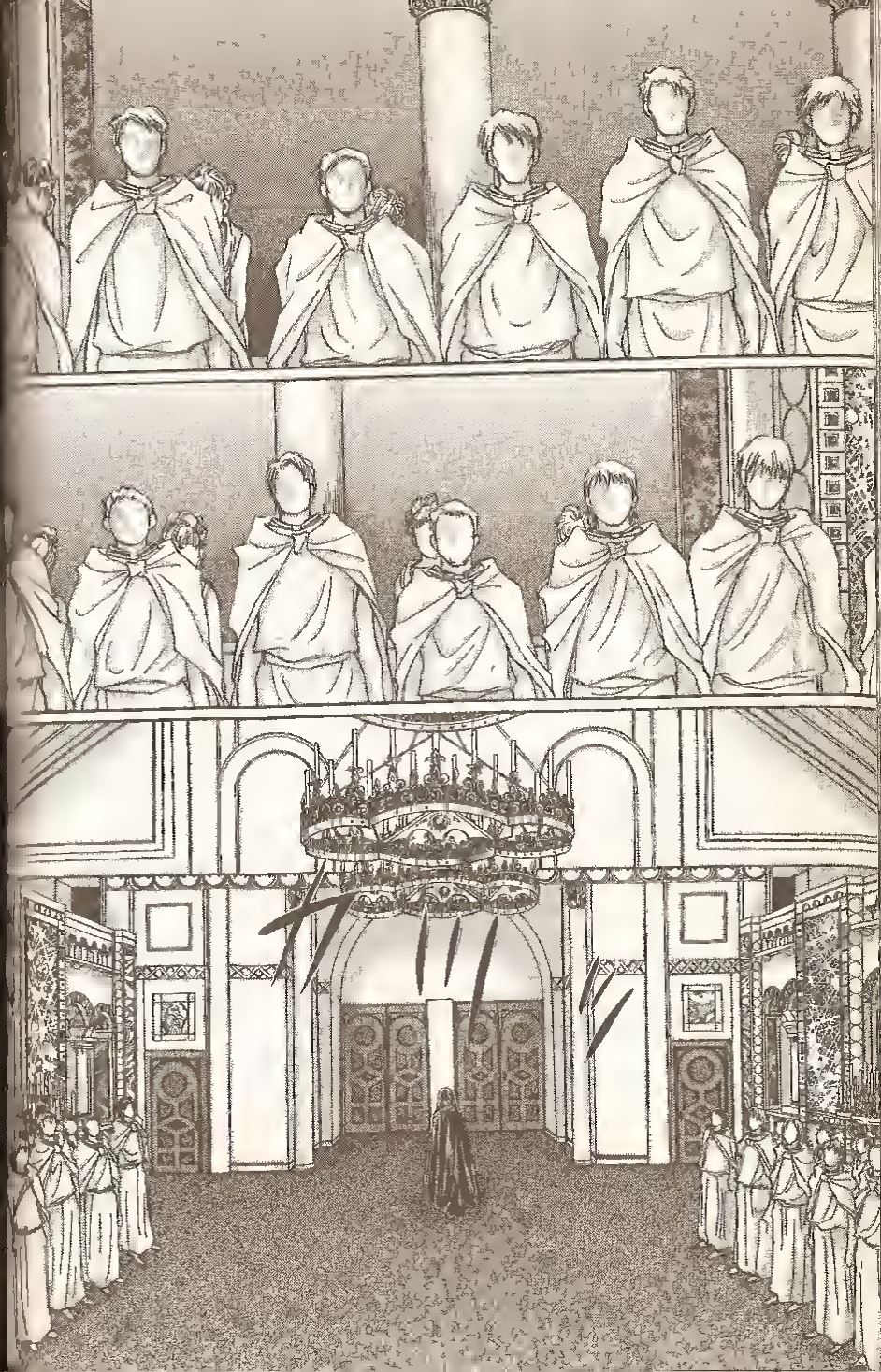
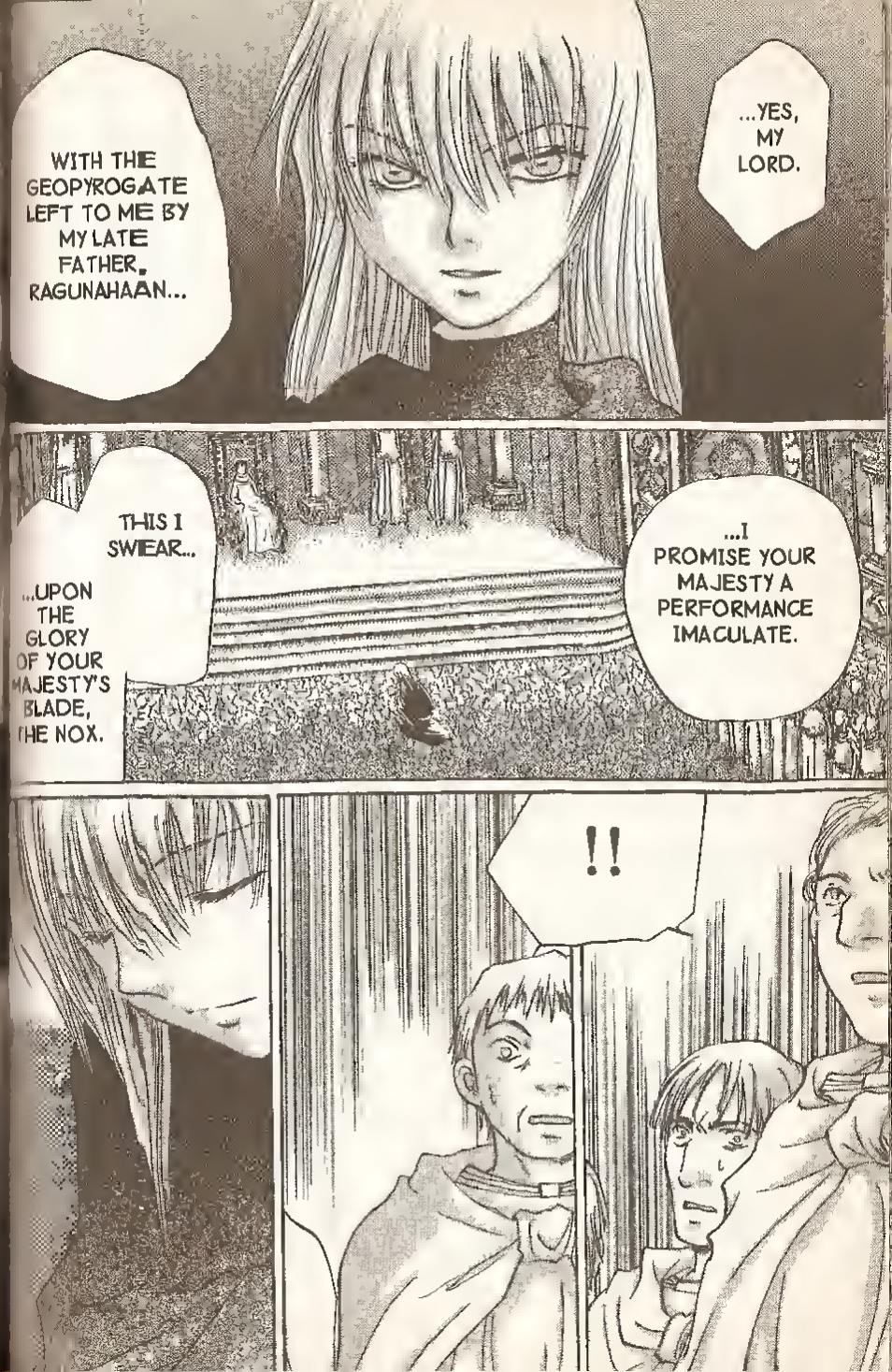

OF COURSE, THE IMPATIENT PRINCE NEVER USED SUCH A FEATURE TO HIS ADVANTAGE.
YOU CAN TRAVEL THROUGH ONE WITHOUT INTERVENTION OF OR DETECTION BY A BARRIER.
...IN ANOTHER WORLD WITH-OUT PRINCE SEEU'S ASSISTANCE.
YOU SEE, RAGUNA COULD NOT HAVE ESCAPED TO HIDE THE GENMA...
THE MAD PRINCE...
...KNOWS ALL THE SECRETS OF ALL THE WORLDS.
...HE KNOWS OF "KAGAMI" AND THE "ORGANIC GOLD."
...SEEU ... HE KNOWS WHERE KAGUYA IS...


ARE YOU PREPARED...
...BAM-VIVIRIE?
I HAVE CHOSEN YOUR FIRST CAMPAIGN.



SIGH
SO THIS IS HER GAME...
...HIS MAJESTY
FOOLISH GIRL!
SHE'LL BE EXECUTED,
STUPID GIRL!!
NOX LIGHT?
SHE SPOKE OF THE NOX LIGHT!
...AND, IF SO, ONLY THOSE CLOSEST TO HIM WOULD NOTICE...
WOULD NEVER SHOW IN PUBLIC.
...HIS FIERCE ADMIRATION FOR THOSE WHO POSSES A LIVING WEAPON.


WITH THE GEOPYROGATE LEFT TO ME BY MY LATE FATHER, RAGUNAHAAN...
...YES, MY LORD.
THIS I SWEAR...
...UPON THE GLORY OF YOUR MAJESTY'S BLADE, THE NOX.
...I PROMISE YOUR MAJESTY A PERFORMANCE IMACULATE.
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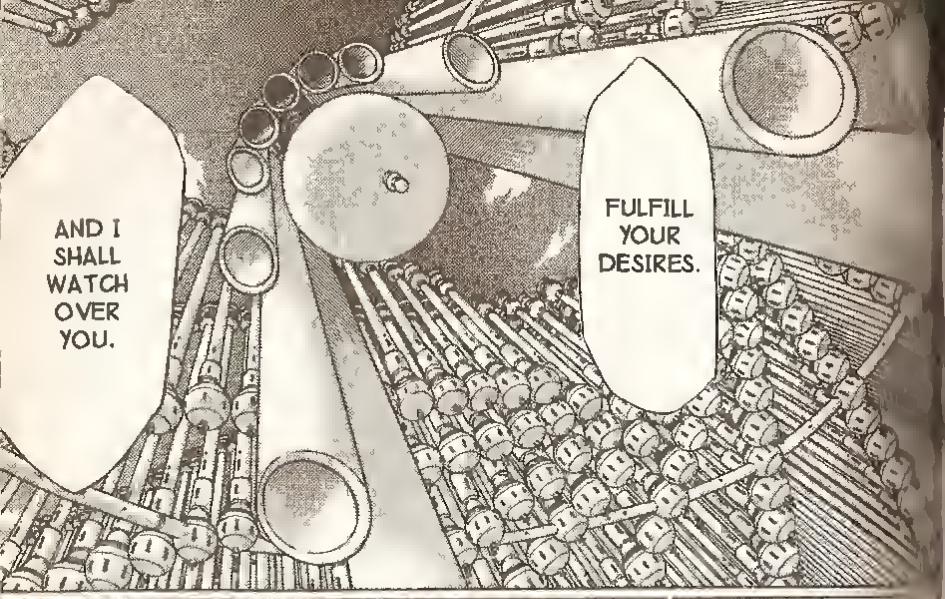
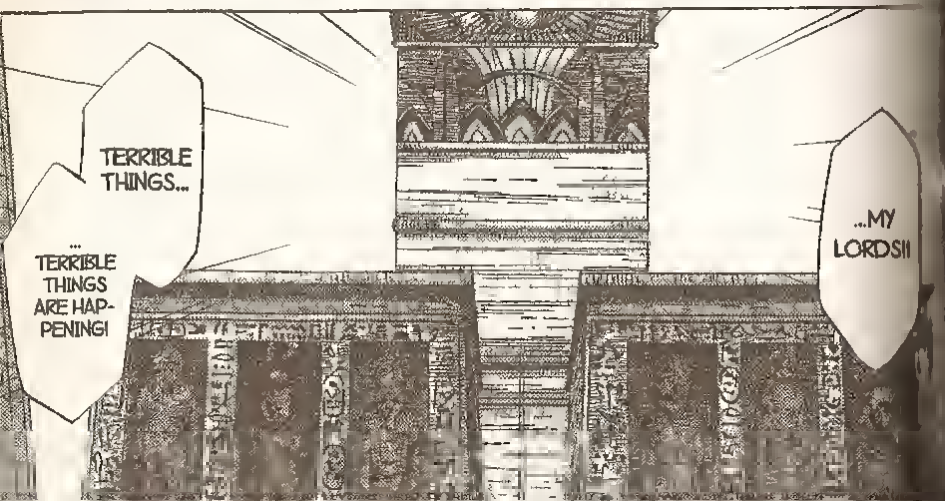
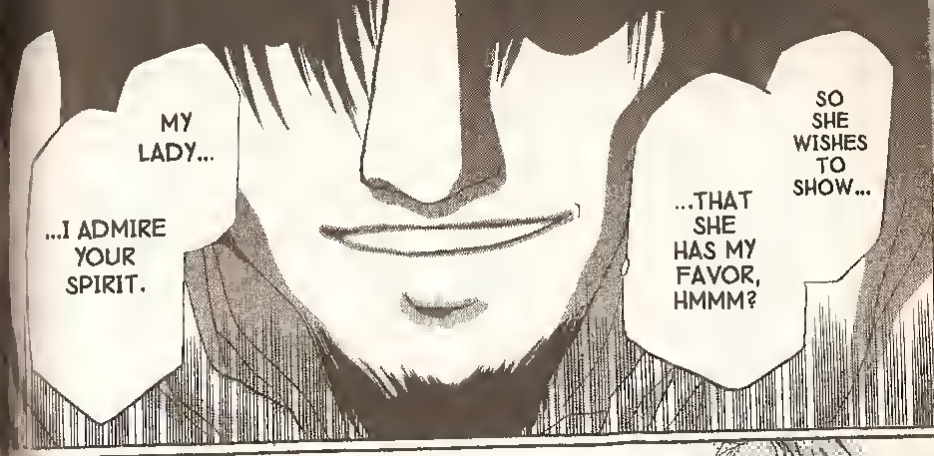
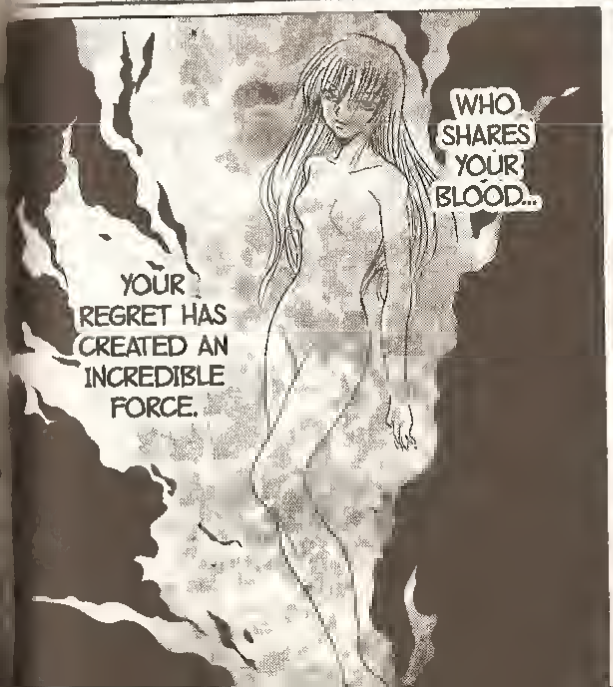

AND I SHALL WATCH OVER YOU.
FULFILL YOUR DESIRES.

YES, MY LORD.


TERRIBLE THINGS...
...TERRIBLE THINGS ARE HAP-PENING!
...MY LORDS!!

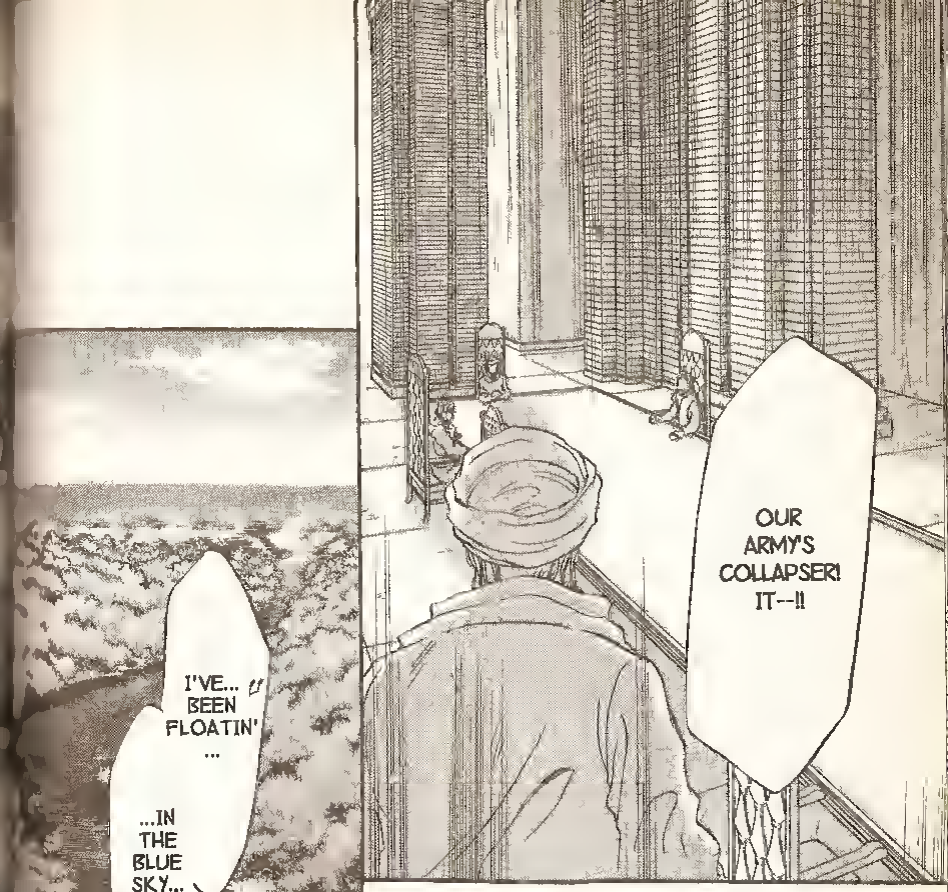

MY LADY...
...I ADMIRE YOUR SPIRIT.
...THAT SHE HAS MY FAVOR, HMMM?
SO SHE WISHES TO SHOW...

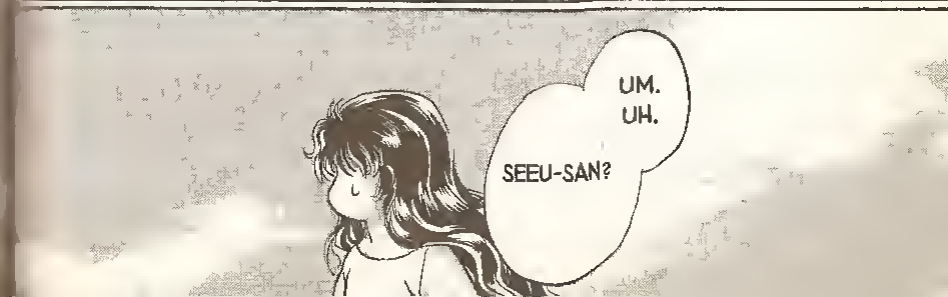
RAGUNA.

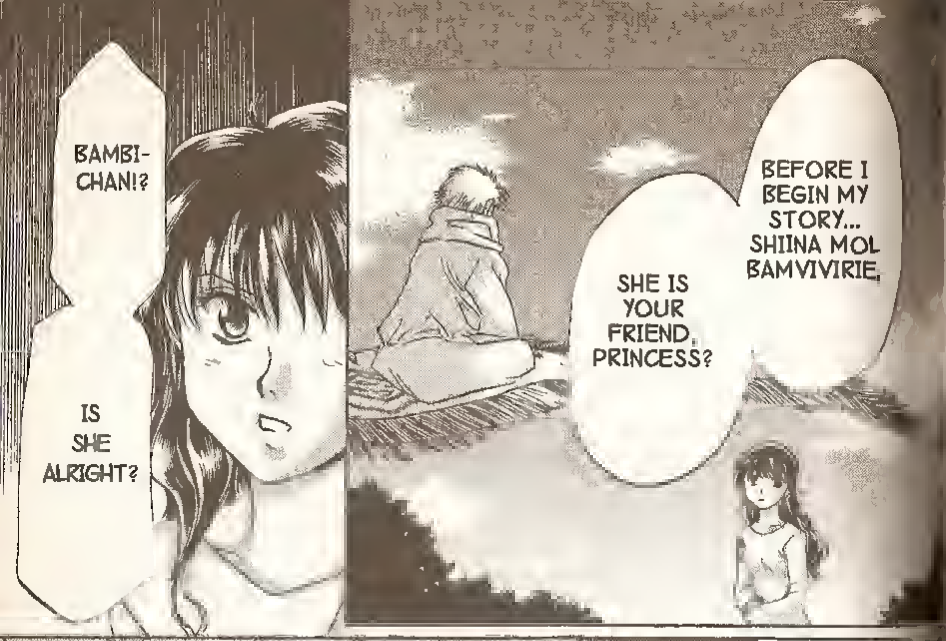

WHO SHARES YOUR BLOOD...
YOUR REGRET HAS CREATED AN INCREDIBLE FORCE.

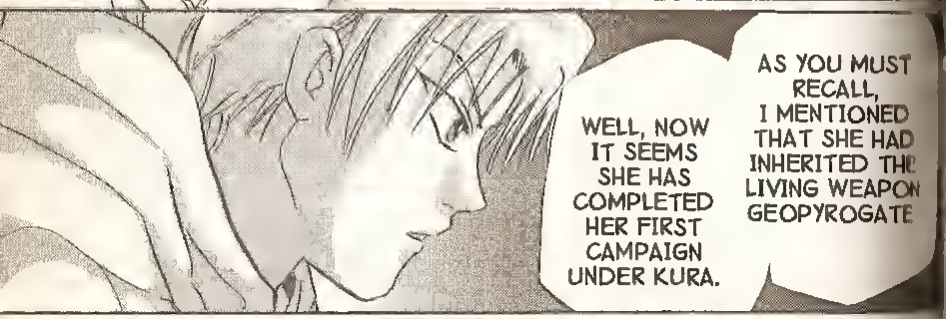
I'LL NOT LET YOU SAY THAT YOU DO NOT REGRET...
FOR IN THIS GIRL...

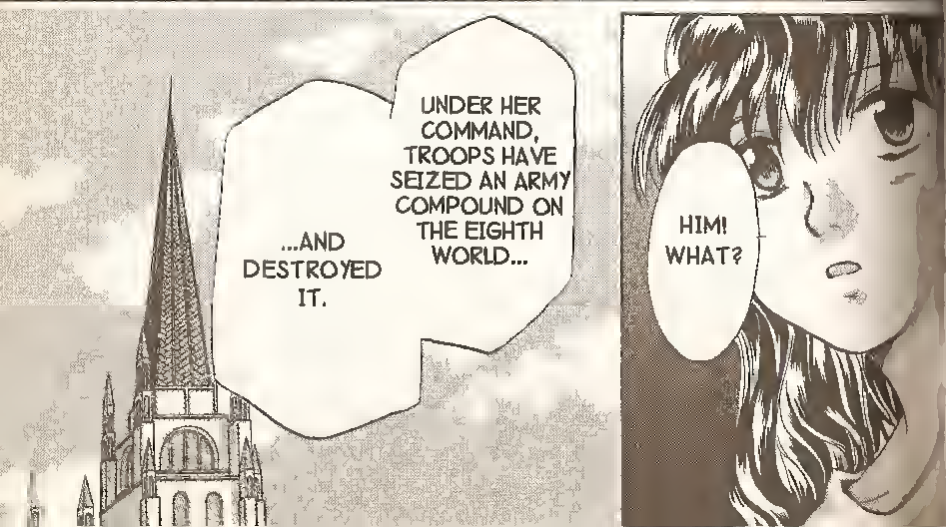
HOW MUCH FAR-THER...
...ARE WE GOING-----...?


OUR ARMY'S COLLAPSER! IT--!!
I'VE... BEEN FLOATIN' ...
...IN THE BLUE SKY...
ALL---- THE LIVE LONG DAY.

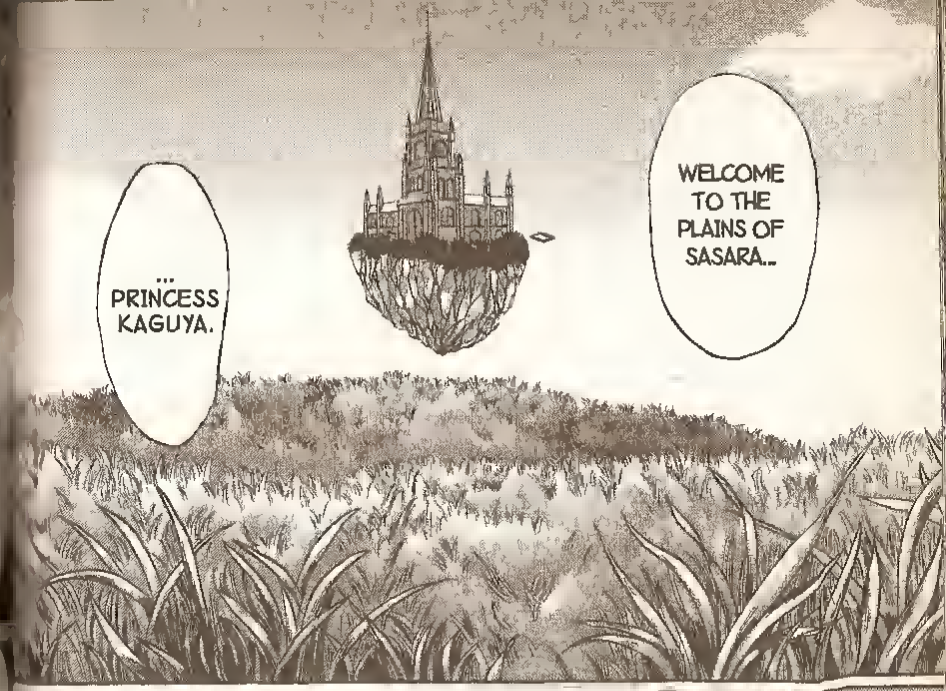

UM. UH.
SEEU-SAN?

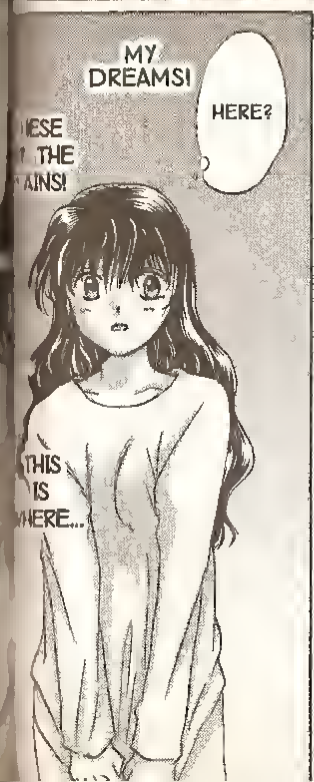

BAMBI-CHAN!?
IS SHE ALRIGHT?
BEFORE I BEGIN MY STORY... SHIINA MOL BAMVIVIRIE,
SHE IS YOUR FRIEND, PRINCESS?


WELL, NOW IT SEEMS SHE HAS COMPLETED HER FIRST CAMPAIGN UNDER KURA.
AS YOU MUST RECALL, I MENTIONED THAT SHE HAD INHERITED THE LIVING WEAPON GEOPYROGATE


...AND DESTROYED IT.
UNDER HER COMMAND, TROOPS HAVE SEIZED AN ARMY COMPOUND ON THE EIGHTH WORLD...

HIM! WHAT?


WELCOME TO THE PLAINS OF SASARA..
... PRINCESS KAGUYA.


HERE?
MY DREAMS!
IESE
THE
AINS!
THIS
IS
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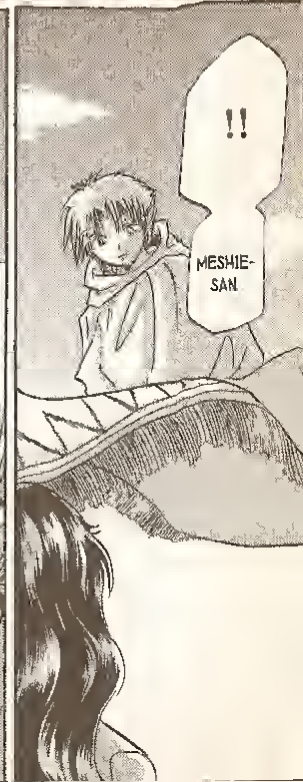
THIS PLACE HAS QUITE A HISTORY, YOU KNOW. ONCE UPON A TIME, ALL THE MASTERS OF ALL THE LIVING WEAPONS ASSEMBLED AT THIS VERY SPOT.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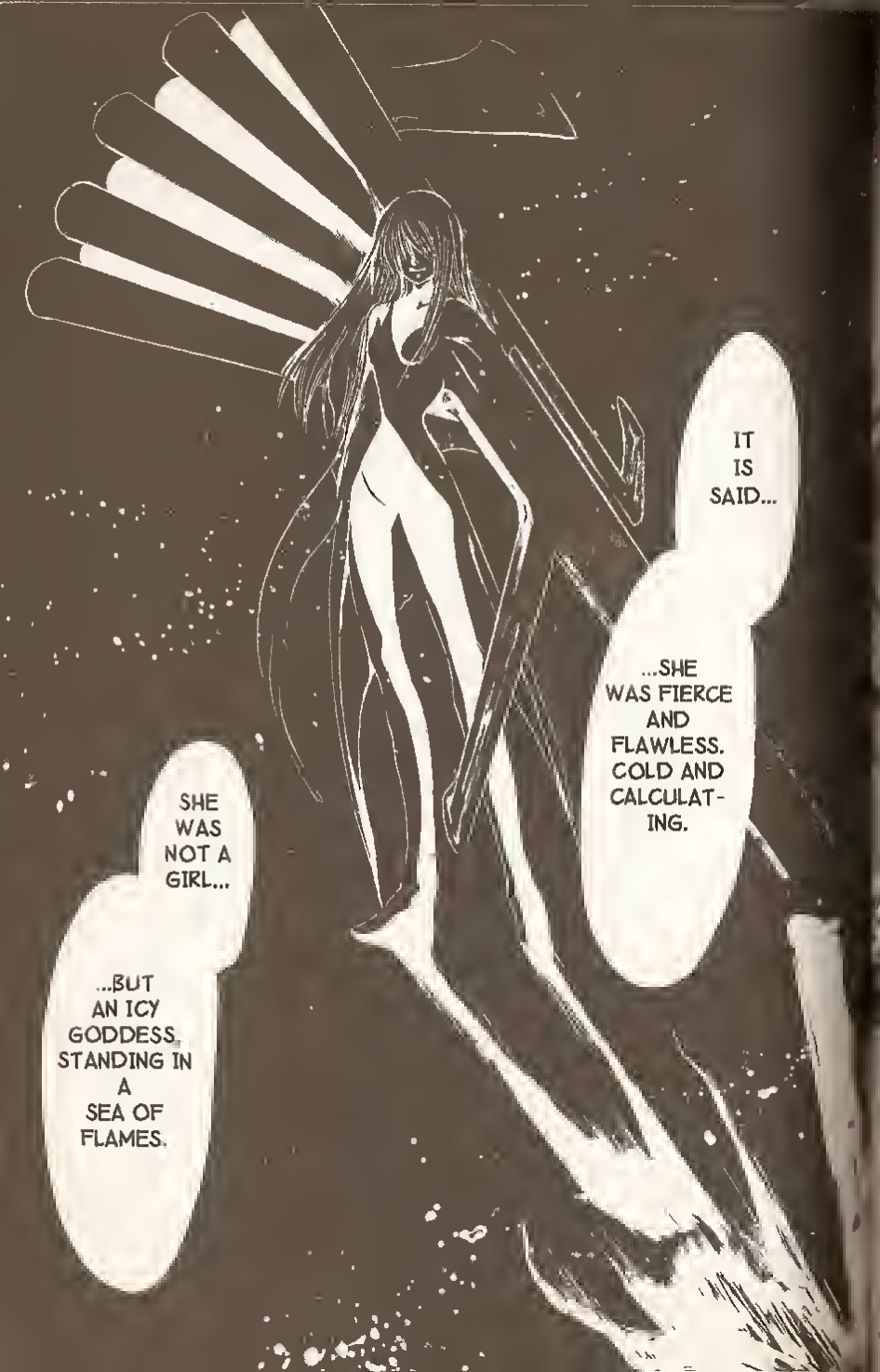
MESHIE-SAN


IT IS SAID...
...SHE WAS FIERCE AND FLAWLESS. COLD AND CALCULAT-ING.
SHE WAS NOT A GIRL...
...BUT AN ICY GODDESS, STANDING IN A SEA OF FLAMES.

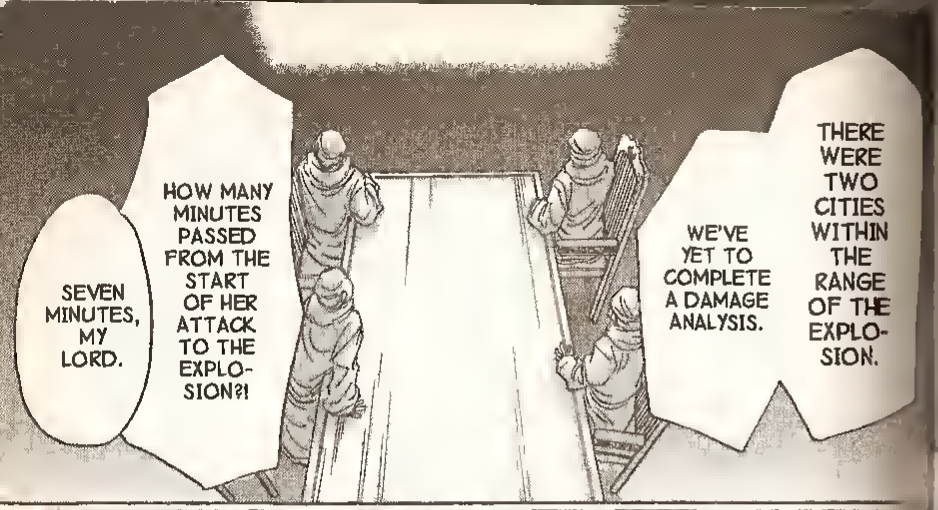
THE EIGHTH WORLD HAD BEEN DEVELOPING A LARGE-SCALE COLLAPSER THERE.
I AM CERTAIN HER MISSION INVOLVED DESTROYING THE COLLAPSER FIRST AND FOREMOST.
AND ACHIEVE THIS SHE DID...
...SINGLE-HANDEDLY BURNING IT TO THE GROUND.

...MY GEO PYRO.
...DO NOT BLAME ME...

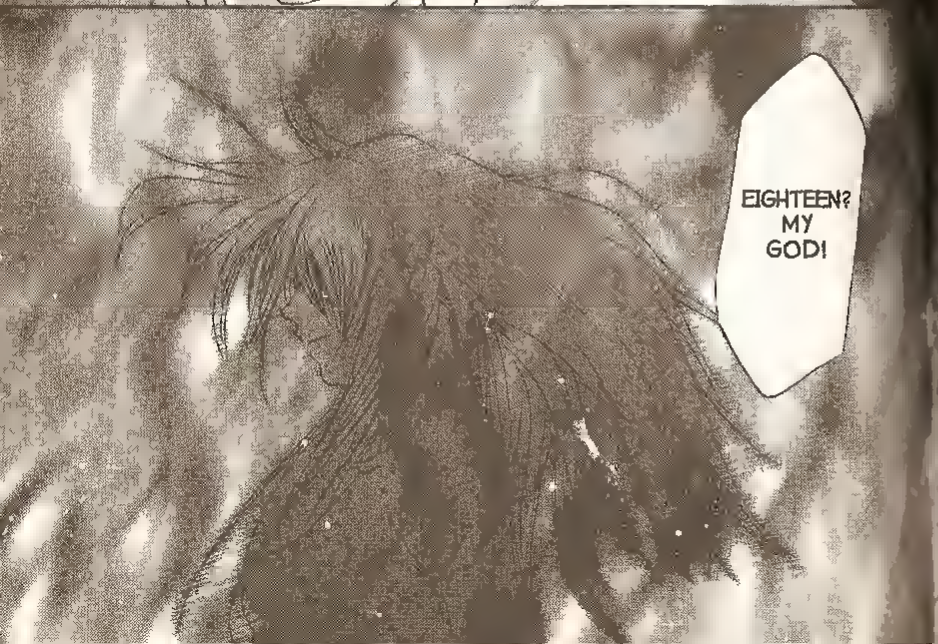
SO?
DO WE HAVE ANY IMAGES OF OUR BEAUTY IN ACTION?
I REGRET THAT WE HAVE NONE, SIRE.
.....
IT IS STILL STAND-ING IN THIS IMAGE.
HMPH! BORING.
I SO WANTED TO WATCH OUR DARLING GODDESS ATTACK.

NOW SHE HAS TAKEN OUT THE LEGS!
SUC-CESS!
THE SLIGHTEST NUDGE COULD SET IT OFF.
CARE-FUL, MY LOVE.
YOU SHALL BRING THE WHOLE THING CRASHING DOWN.
BUT LOOK OUT FOR THE CORE.

...IF YOU REGRET ...
...CHOOS-ING ME TO BEAR YOUR POWER.
WAIT! I SEE...
NOT EVEN A GLIMPSE OF HER.
DAMN
EXCELLENT! BRAVO!
WHAT APLOMB! WHAT GRACE!
...FLAMES.
I SEE FLAMES NOW.


SEVEN MINUTES, MY LORD.
HOW MANY MINUTES PASSED FROM THE START OF HER ATTACK TO THE EXPLOSION?!
WE'VE YET TO COMPLETE A DAMAGE ANALYSIS.
THERE WERE TWO CITIES WITHIN THE RANGE OF THE EXPLOSION.

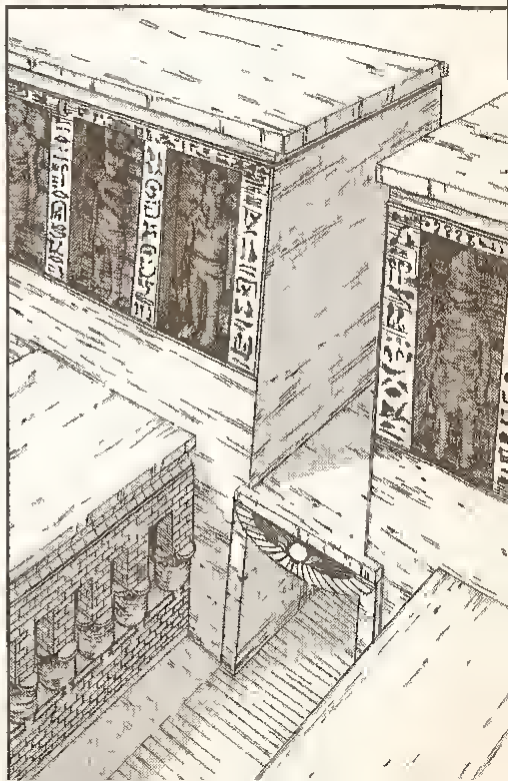
THE ENTIRE ASSAULT TOOK EIGHTEEN MINUTES.
...AND THEN SEVEN MINUTES FOR HER TO DESTROY THE COLLAPSER.
IT TOOK ELEVEN MINUTES FOR OUR DEFENSE SHIELD TO FALL...


EIGHTEEN? MY GOD!

DULL.
NICE CRATER!
BUT IT'S HARD TO ASSESS THE DAMAGE FROM HERE.

...OH, MY POOR EMPEROR!
...CHEAPENS THE MAJESTY OF IT ALL.
AND WATCHING MERE RECORDED IMAGES OF AN EVENT SO GLORIOUS...

I...
...I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!



SO YOU'RE SAY-ING...
BAMBI-CHAN IS INVOLVED IN A WAR?
W...WAR?
WHY? HOW?
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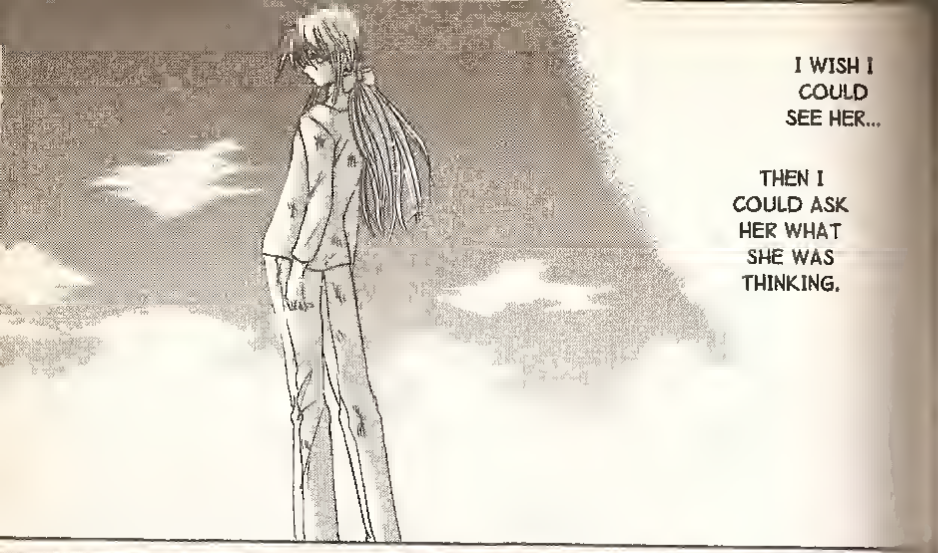
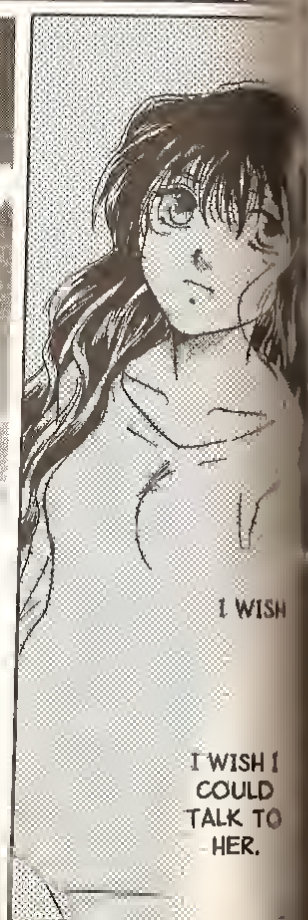
...NO, SHE...
YES, SHE IS.
...SHE HAD NO CHOICE! THEY THREAT-ENED HER!
...MAY BE...
MAY...

EIGHTEEN MINUTES.
EVEN IF WE HAD BEEN WARNED, WE STILL WOULD HAVE HAD NO TIME TO RETALIATE!
MY GOD, WHO IS THIS MONSTER?


I WISH I COULD SEE HER...
THEN I COULD ASK HER WHAT SHE WAS THINKING.

BECAUSE...
I TOO HAVE A DECISION TO MAKE.

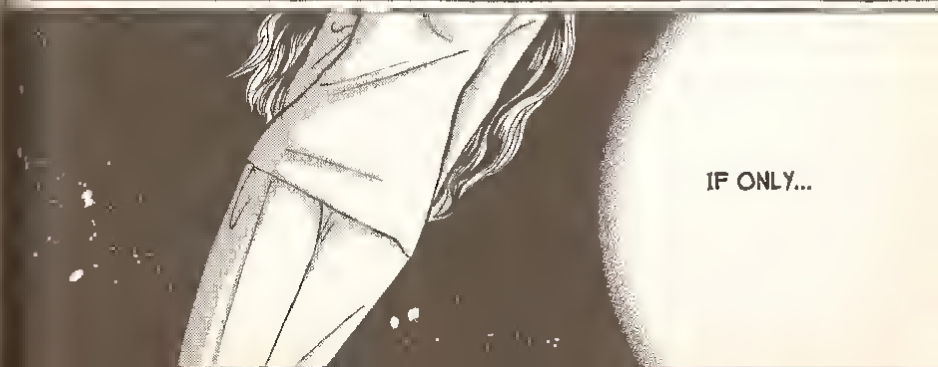

I WISH
I WISH I COULD TALK TO HER.

NO!
WHAT'S WRONG?
SHE...
...SHE'S NOT LIKE THAT IS SHE?

BAMBI ...
...BAMBI -CHAN ISN'T...
...LIKE THAT AT ALL.

MAYBE KURA...

BUT SHE...
...SHE'S NOT THE TYPE TO DO SOMEONE ELSE'S BIDDING.
FOR HER TO ALLY HERSELF WITH GEO...
..SHE MUST HAVE HER OWN REASON.


IF ONLY...

I, UM...
WILL PROBABLY ADMIT THAT I DON'T KNOW. OKAY?
SO, UM...
...EVEN THOUGH I AM SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT TO DO..
PRACTICALLY A CHILD...
...SO I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF ANYTHING.
I'M JUST...
...AN ORDINARY GIRL, YOU KNOW.
JUST SO YOU KNOW.
PROBABLY I'LL SAY THINGS LIKE, "WAR IS BAD"...
...OR... SOME-THING.

JUST AS YOU'VE MADE YOURS, BAMBI-CHAN.
AND IT WILL BE VERY SOON.
...IF I DON'T KNOW SOMETHING, FROM NOW ON I'M JUST GONNA SAY SO.
MESHIE -SAN?
JUST SO YOU KNOW...
TIMES WHEN NO MATTER HOW HARD I THINK...
...I WON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!
I THINK THERE WILL BE TIMES WHEN I WON'T BE SURE WHAT THE RIGHT DECISION IS. OKAY?

WHAT...
...DO YOU WANT ME TO SAY?
WHEN I WAS AFRAID TO SPEAK.
....THERE WAS A TIME...
...THAT SOMEONE WOULD BE KIND IN RETURN.
I SMILED AND I HOPED...
...AS IF I'VE CHANGED OR ANYTHING.
AND IT'S NOT AS IF...
I HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL.
I HAVEN'T.

...FOR SOMEONE I LOVE TO KILL...
...OR BE KILLED!
I'LL SCREAM "STOP THE MURDER!!"
EVEN IF ALL THE WORLDS WANT OTHER-WISE...
SO I WILL SPEAK MY MIND.
I CAN'T STAND THE THOUGHT.
TELL ME WHAT YOU AND EVERYONE ELSE WANT ME TO DO.
SO, NOW THAT YOU KNOW THIS...
...TELL ME.

I MUST FOCUS.

STRENGTH... KINDNESS...

I MUST NEVER FORGET.

...I AM NOTHING...

EVEN IF IN THE GRAND SCHEME OF THE COSMOS ...

YOUR MAJESTY!

...THE ENEMY HAS LAUNCHED A COUNTER ATTACK!

EVEN IF ALL SEEMS...

...HOPE-LESS.

...BUT I KNOW WHERE I STAND. I AM A MERE SPECK IN THIS WHOLE UNIVERSE

SO IT'S OKAY.

IT'S OKAY.

I MAY HAVE TO PERFORM VERY SERIOUS TASKS VERY SOON...

...KIND PERSON.

THIS IS WHY I MUST TRY TO BE A STRONG,...

...TO CREATE A PEACEFUL UNIVERSE...

WE WILL STILL STRIVE...

FOREVER.

ASURAITSU IS SURE TO CONTINUE DESTROYING THEM!

HMM...

SO... GEUS IS THEIR TARGET.

TWO OF OUR DEVELOPING COLLAPSERS ON THE SIXTH WORLD HAVE ALREADY BEEN DESTROYED!

...HOWEVER OUR MILITARY CASUALTIES ARE HIGH.

WE'VE EVACUATED ALL OF THE PRINCIPAL RESEARCHERS STATIONED ON GEUS...

BUT THE ATTACK ON GEUS IS NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT OUR FORCES DID TO THOSE BASTARDS ON THE EIGHTH WORLD.

YES, WELL, COMPARATIVELY SPEAKING, DEFENSE ON GEUS IS WEAK.

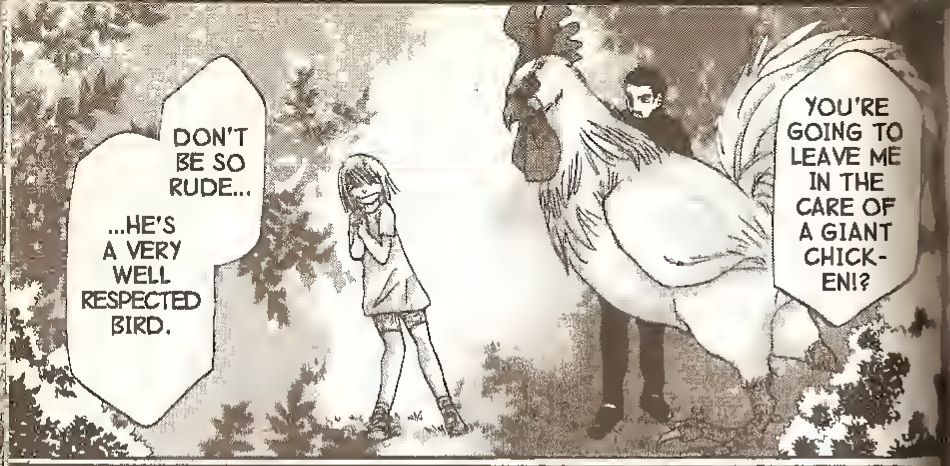
STRENGTHEN OUR DEFENSE PROGRAM THERE.

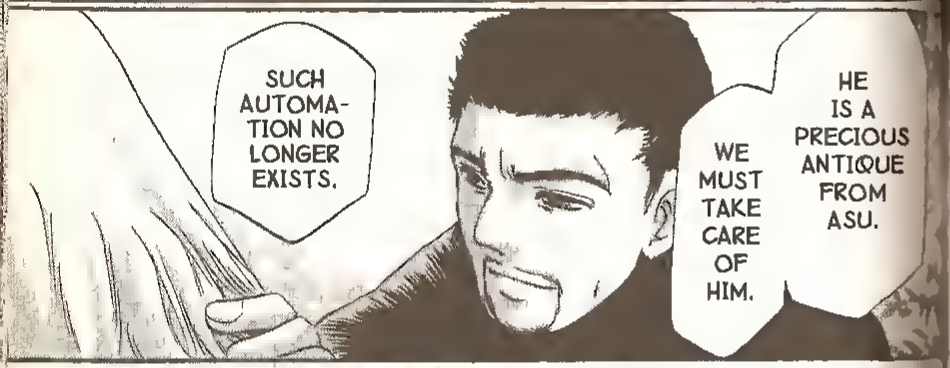
NO DOUBT THE ASSAULT WILL CONTINUE.

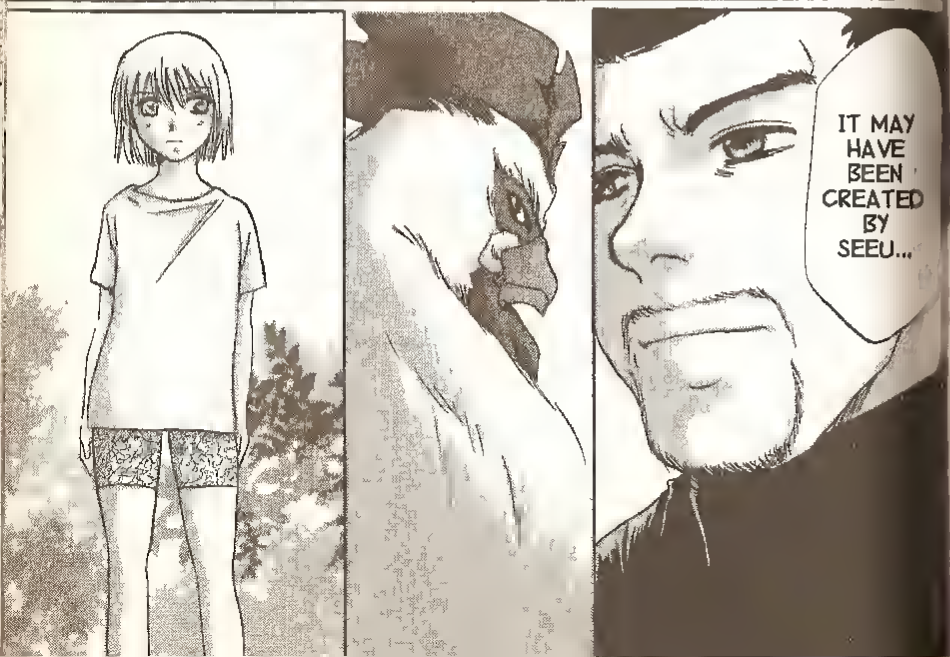
EVEN IF ALL SEEMS LOST...

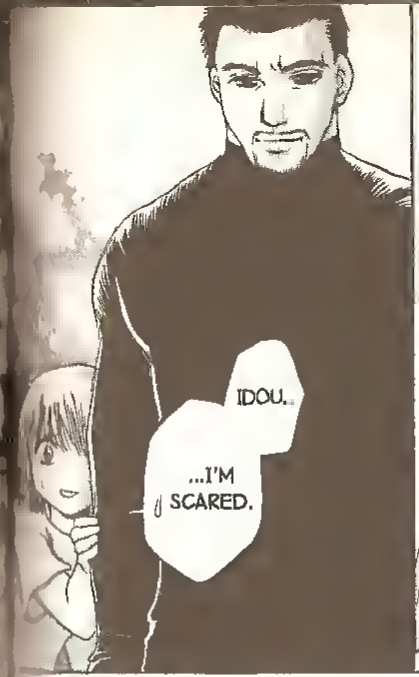
EASY, MR. GIANT CHICKEN...
BE CARE FUL!
DON'T LOOK IT IN THE EYE!
WELL!
YOU SEEM TO BE QUITE HEALTHY, SIR CHICKEN!

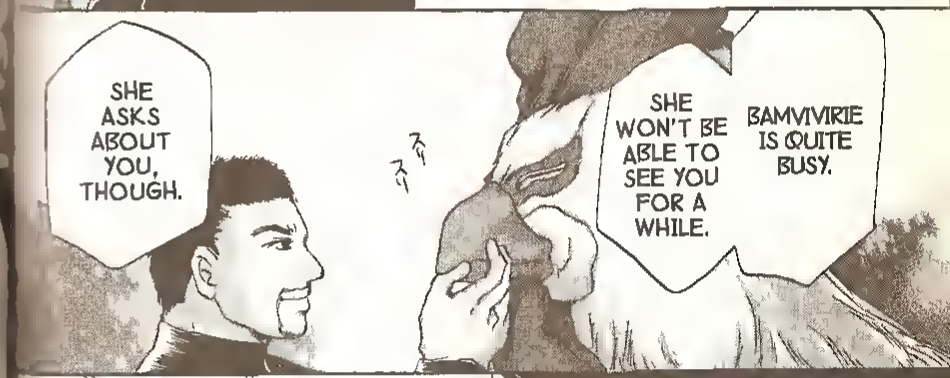
OH CRAP!
...IT GOT AWAY AGAIN!!
I'M NOT GETTING IT!
HEY- GET IT!.
YA THINK, I'M A MORON?
GO ON!
I'M FROM THE CITY! WE DON'T HAVE OVER-SIZED FARM ANI-MALS! WHY SHOULD I CHASE A GIANT CHICKEN?
GYAAAAHHH!!


DON'T BE SO RUDE...
...HE'S A VERY WELL RESPECTED BIRD.
YOU'RE GOING TO LEAVE ME IN THE CARE OF A GIANT CHICK-EN!?


SUCH AUTOMA-TION NO LONGER EXISTS.
WE MUST TAKE CARE OF HIM.
HE IS A PRECIOUS ANTIQUE FROM ASU.


IT MAY HAVE BEEN CREATED BY SEEU...


IDOU..
...I'M SCARED.

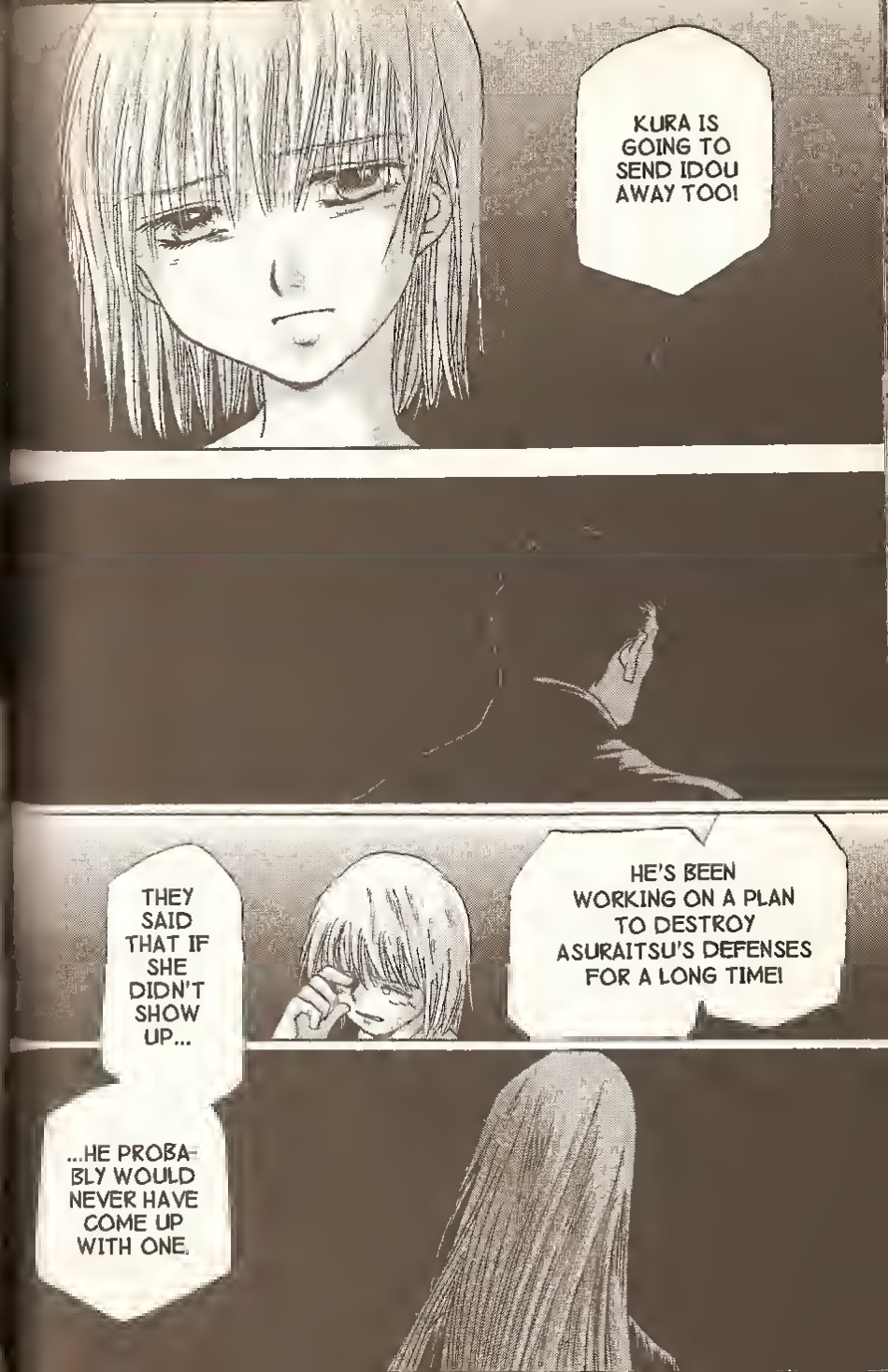

SHE ASKS ABOUT YOU, THOUGH.
SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU FOR A WHILE.
BAMVIVIRIE IS QUITE BUSY.

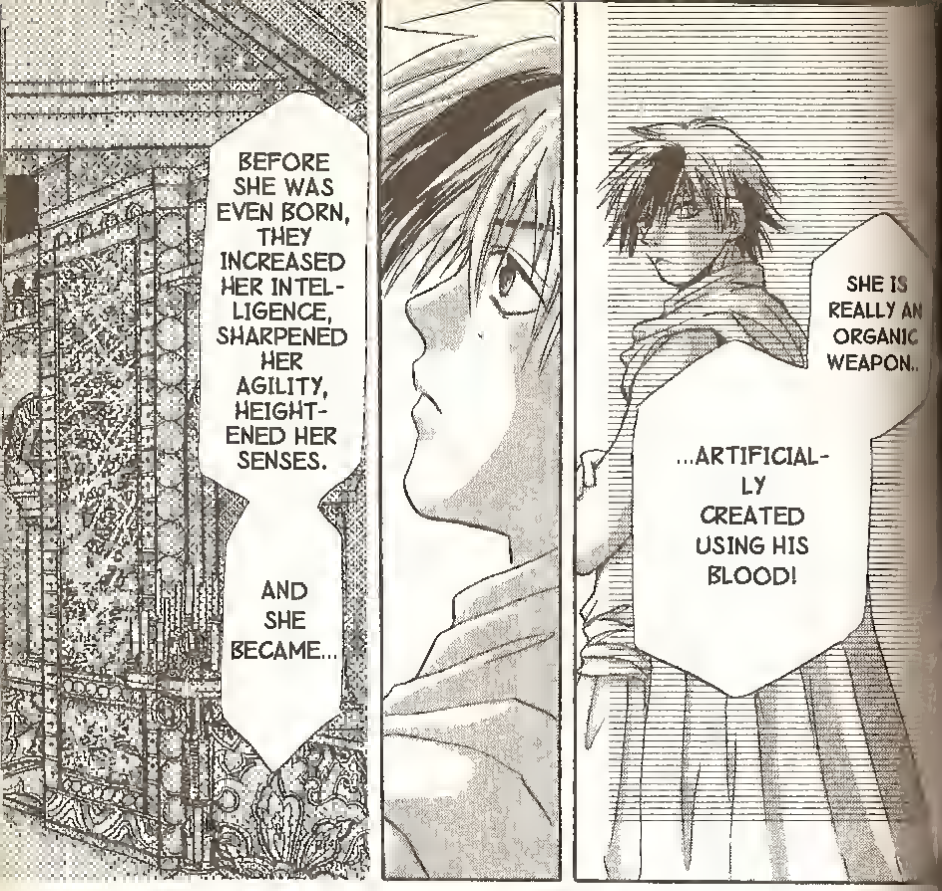
WHOA!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING IDOU?!!
I THOUGHT WITH YOU AROUND SARITA WON'T BE SO LONELY.
I WILL BE BECOMING QUITE BUSY AS WELL.

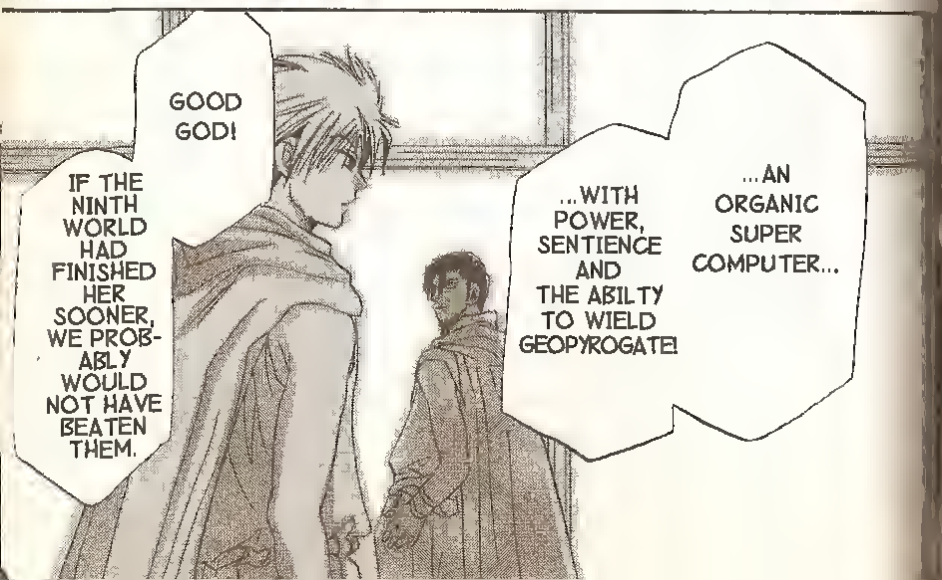
SOMETIMES THEIR POWER GOES CRAZY-WILD AND IS UNSTOPPABLE?
DID YOU KNOW THAT IF YOU DESTROY COLLAPSERS ...
IT'S LIKE YOU UNDERSTAND!
HEY! YOU NODDED YOUR HEAD! HA!
DID YOU KNOW THAT ONE TIME IDOU HAD THREE LIVING WEAPONS ALL BY HIMSELF?
THAT'S WHY YOU NEVER ATTACK A COLLAPSER.
BUT IT'S PROB'LY ENOUGH TO CHANGE A WHOLE PLANET'S AXIS!
NO ONE REALLY KNOWS HOW POWERFUL IT WOULD BE...
...AND CAME BACK JUST FINE.
BUT SHE PROTECTED HERSELF USING GEOPYROGATE ...

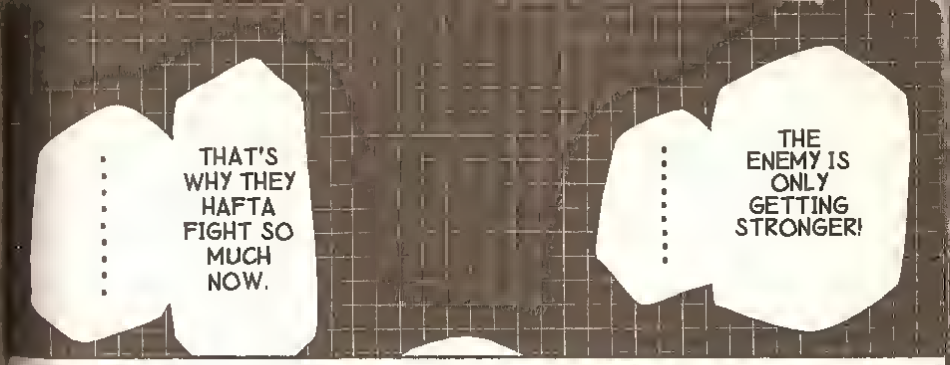
I, UM... ...I HATE YOUR MISTRESS!
AND EACH CAN BE WIELDED BY ONLY ONE BEARER.
...BUT THEY DON'T LAUNCH BRUTAL ATTACKS ON PEOPLE!
OTHERS OWN LIVING WEAPONS ... ...YA KNOW...
...YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE LEFT FIGHTING AN ARMY OF THOUSANDS?
WHAT IF IN THE END...
IDOU SAYS... ...YOU CAN'T CHANGE THE FATE OF THE WORLD BY YOURSELF.
...AND RELY ON YOUR LIVING WEAPON.
AND OUR ALLIES GET LAZY...

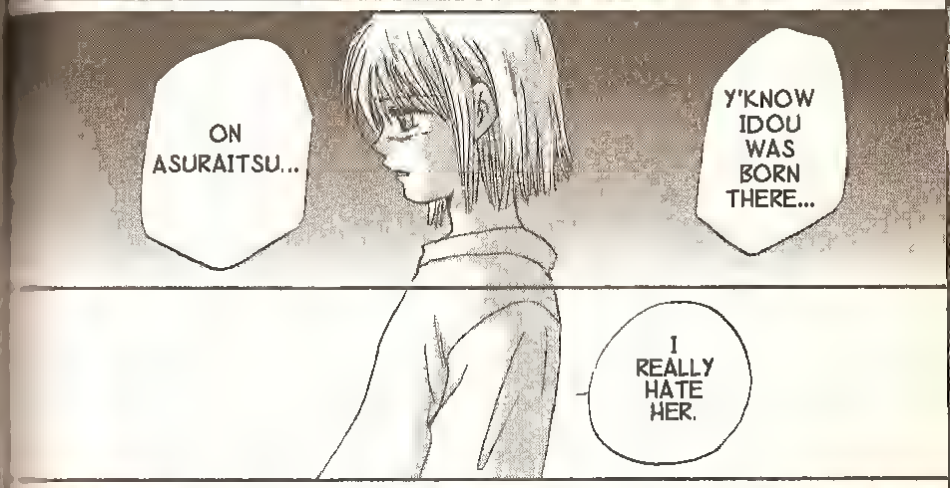
DID YOU HEAR?
ABOUT SHIINA MOL BAM-VIVIRIE ?
SHE'S NOT COMPLETELY HUMAN!
IT TURNS OUT...

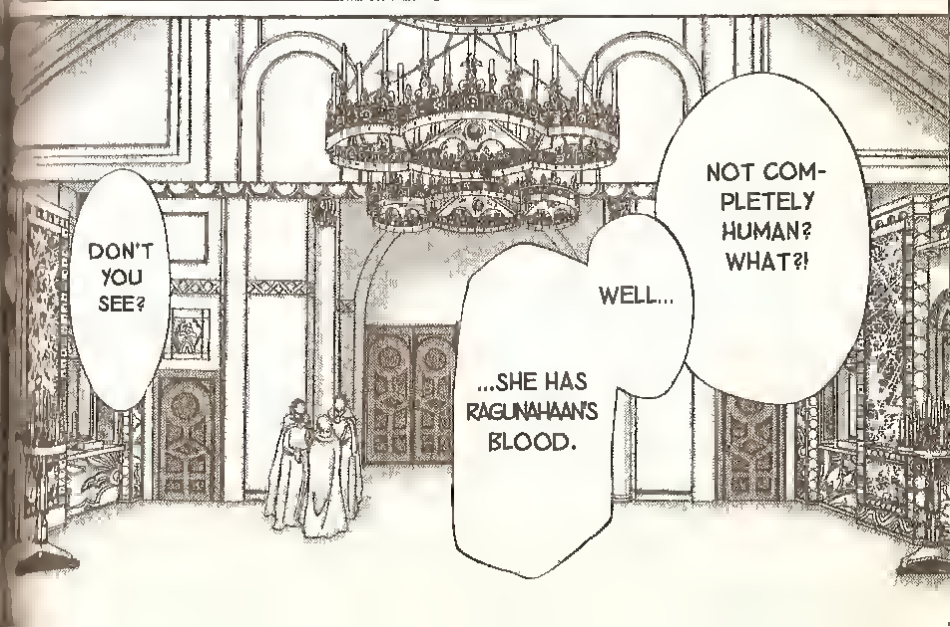

KURA IS GOING TO SEND IDOU AWAY TOO!
HE'S BEEN WORKING ON A PLAN TO DESTROY ASURAITSU'S DEFENSES FOR A LONG TIME!
THEY SAID THAT IF SHE DIDN'T SHOW UP...
...HE PROBA-BLY WOULD NEVER HAVE COME UP WITH ONE.


BEFORE SHE WAS EVEN BORN, THEY INCREASED HER INTELLIGENCE, SHARPENED HER AGILITY, HEIGHTENED HER SENSES.
AND SHE BECAME...
SHE IS REALLY AN ORGANIC WEAPON..
...ARTIFICIALLY CREATED USING HIS BLOOD!


GOOD GOD!
IF THE NINTH WORLD HAD FINISHED HER SOONER, WE PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE BEATEN THEM.
...WITH POWER, SENTIENCE AND THE ABILTY TO WIELD GEOPYROGATE!
...AN ORGANIC SUPER COMPUTER...

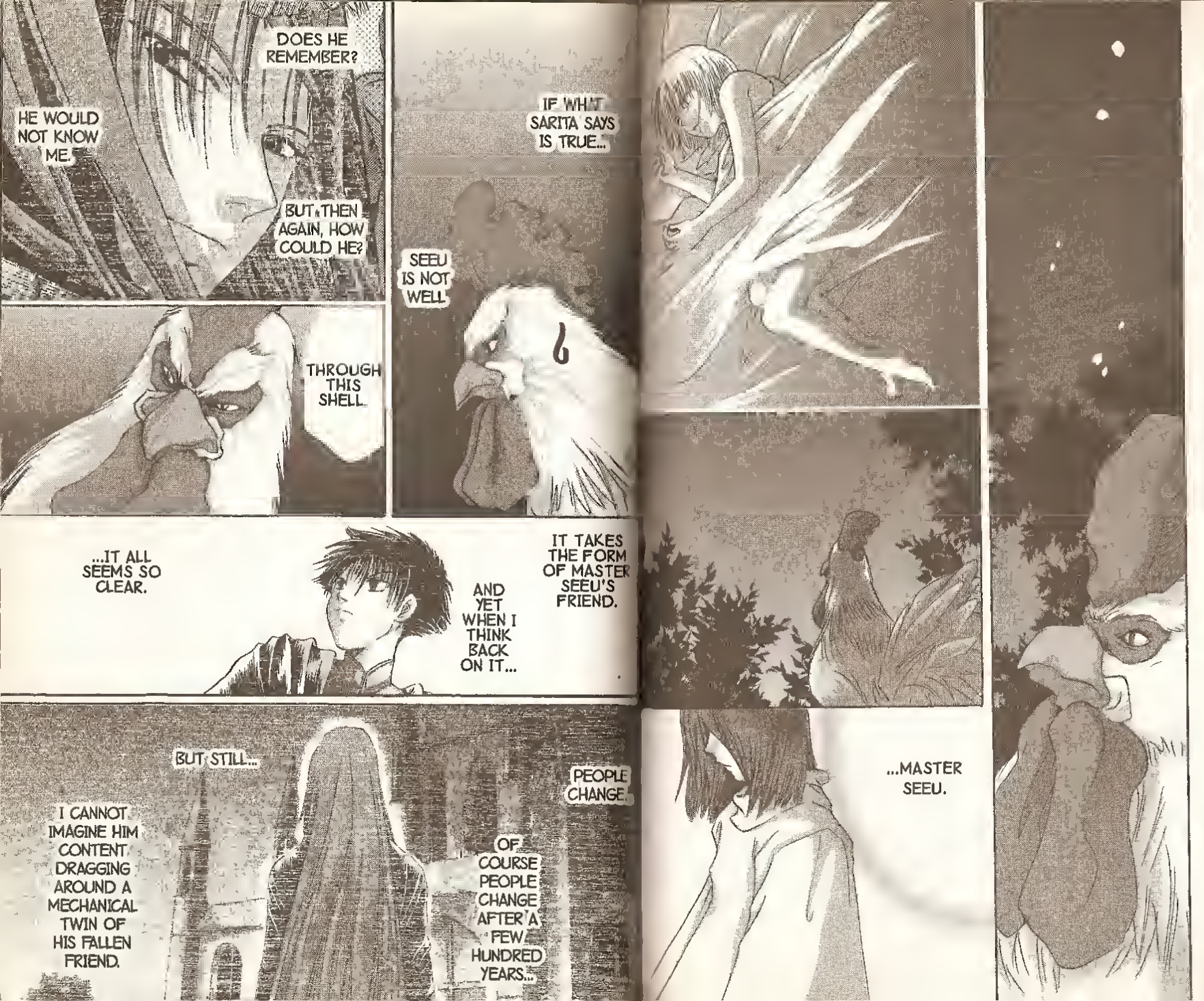

THAT'S WHY THEY HAFTA FIGHT SO MUCH NOW.
THE ENEMY IS ONLY GETTING STRONGER!

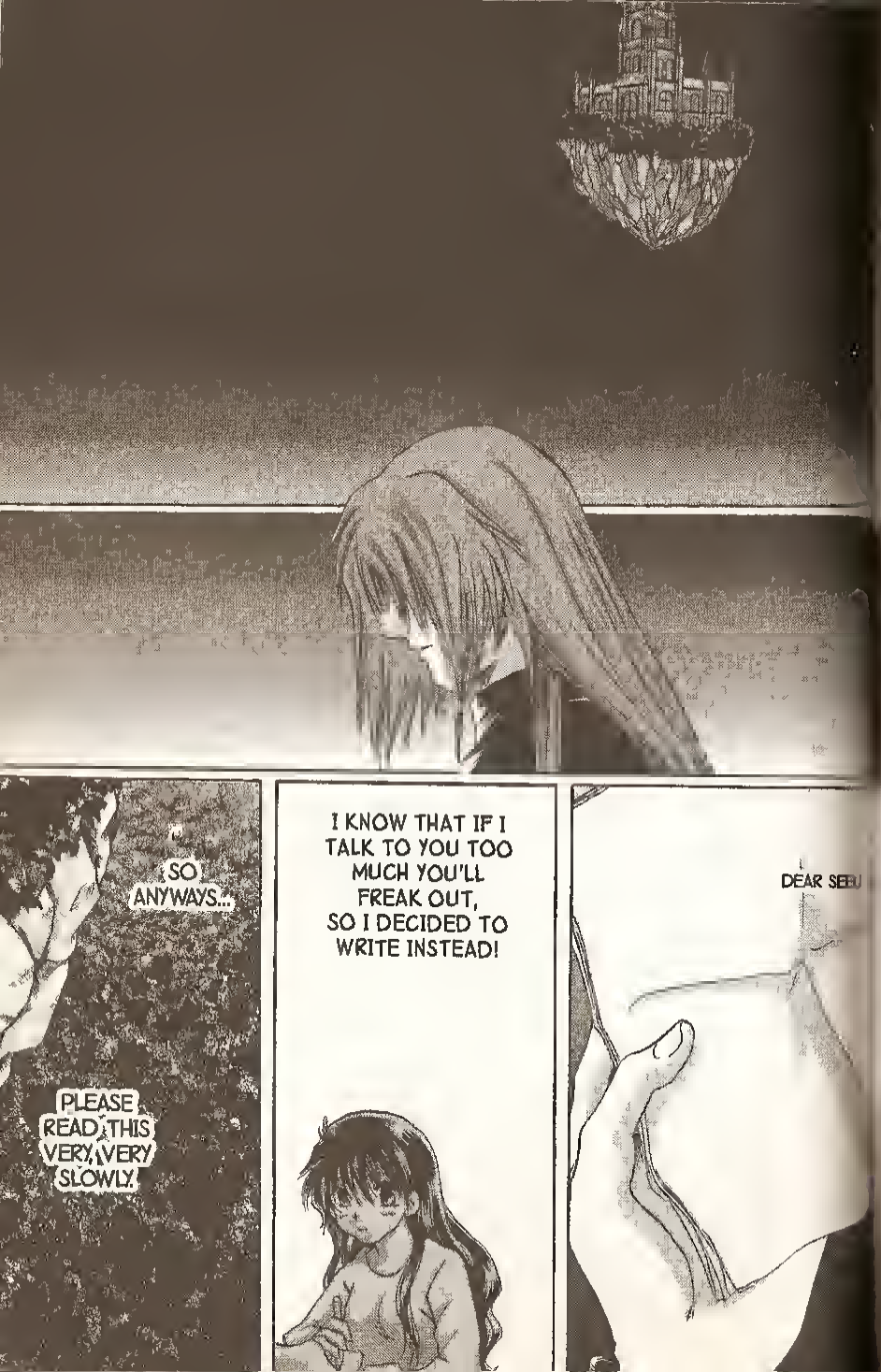

ON ASURAITSU...
Y'KNOW IDOU WAS BORN THERE...
I REALLY HATE HER.

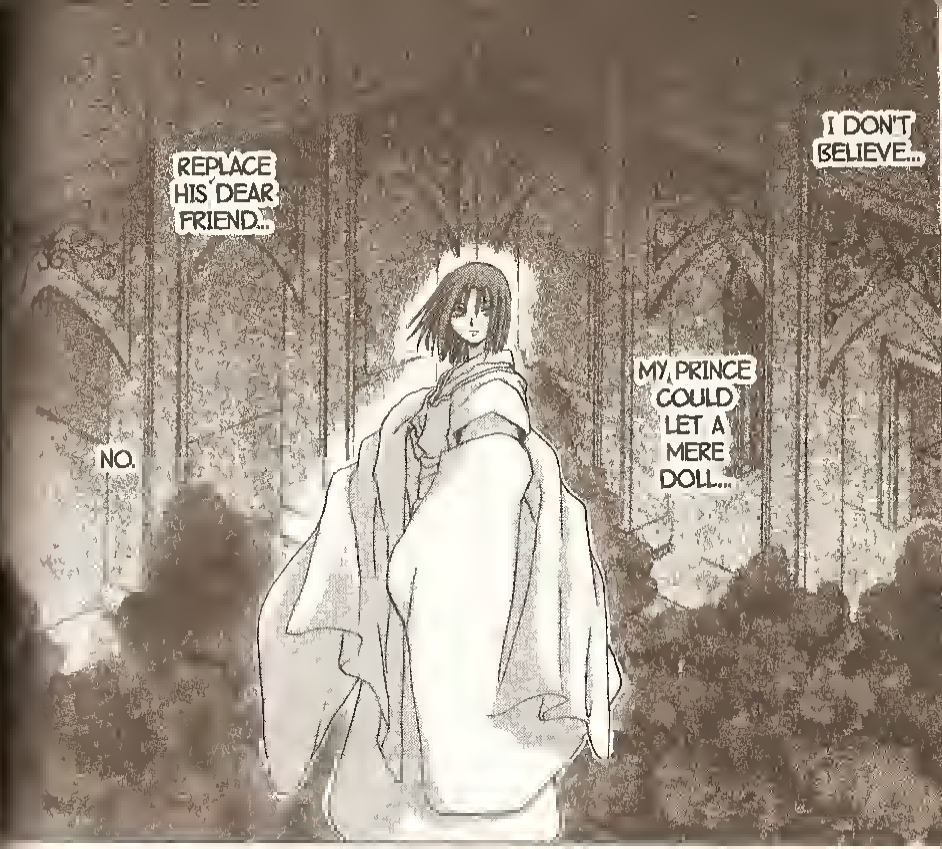

DON'T YOU SEE?
...SHE HAS RAGUNAHAAN'S BLOOD.
WELL...
NOT COMPLETELY HUMAN? WHAT?!

IN THE END, ALL WILL BE MINE.
BUT I...
...I WILL USE YOU, MY PRIZE.
GENMA...
KAGUYA ...
!!!
YOU, WHO HOLD THE KEYS TO SO MUCH MORE.
...AND ALSO... YOU, SEEU.

...COULD HAVE EASILY RULED THE UNIVERSE.
...THE NINTH WORLD.
HMM... WITH THE MISSING GENMA AND THE LADY BAMVIVIRIE...
AFTER THEY HAD BEEN DESTROYED ...
IT WAS TOO MUCH POWER, FOR SUCH A FRAIL PLANET.
THEY COULD NOT LET THEM DIE...
..AND THEY WOULD NOT LET KAGUYA LIVE.
TELL ME,
WHAT POSSESSED THEIR RESEARCHERS TO SEAL THEIR PRIZES AWAY IN A SMALL CASTLE ON TELENE?


DOES HE REMEMBER?
HE WOULD NOT KNOW ME.
BUT, THEN AGAIN, HOW COULD HE?
THROUGH THIS SHELL.
IF WHAT SARITA SAYS IS TRUE...
SEEU IS NOT WELL.
...IT ALL SEEMS SO CLEAR.
AND YET WHEN I THINK BACK ON IT...
IT TAKES THE FORM OF MASTER SEEU'S FRIEND.
BUT STILL...
I CANNOT IMAGINE HIM CONTENT DRAGGING AROUND A MECHANICAL TWIN OF HIS FALLEN FRIEND.
PEOPLE CHANGE.
OF COURSE PEOPLE CHANGE AFTER A FEW HUNDRED YEARS...
...MASTER SEEU.

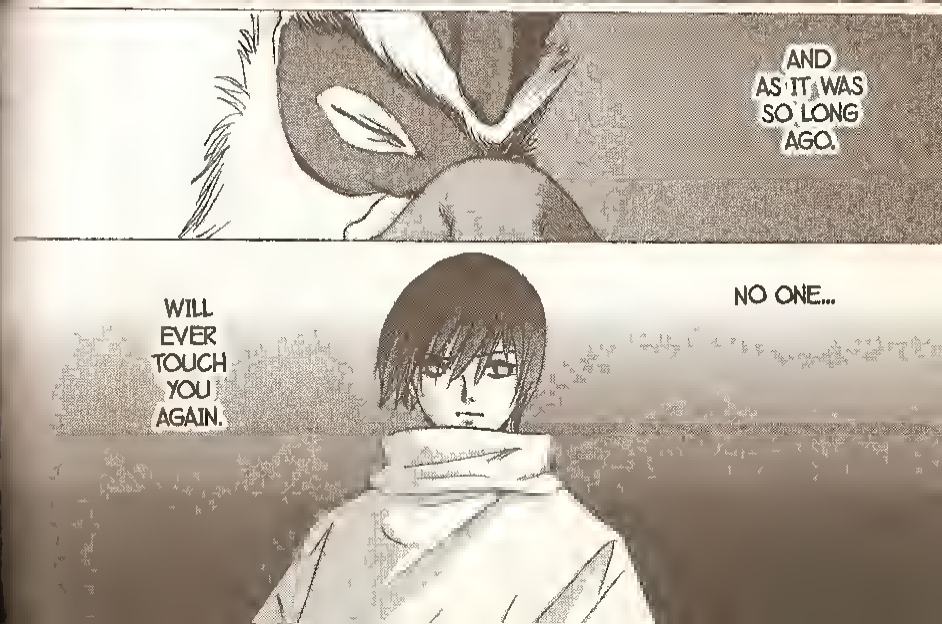


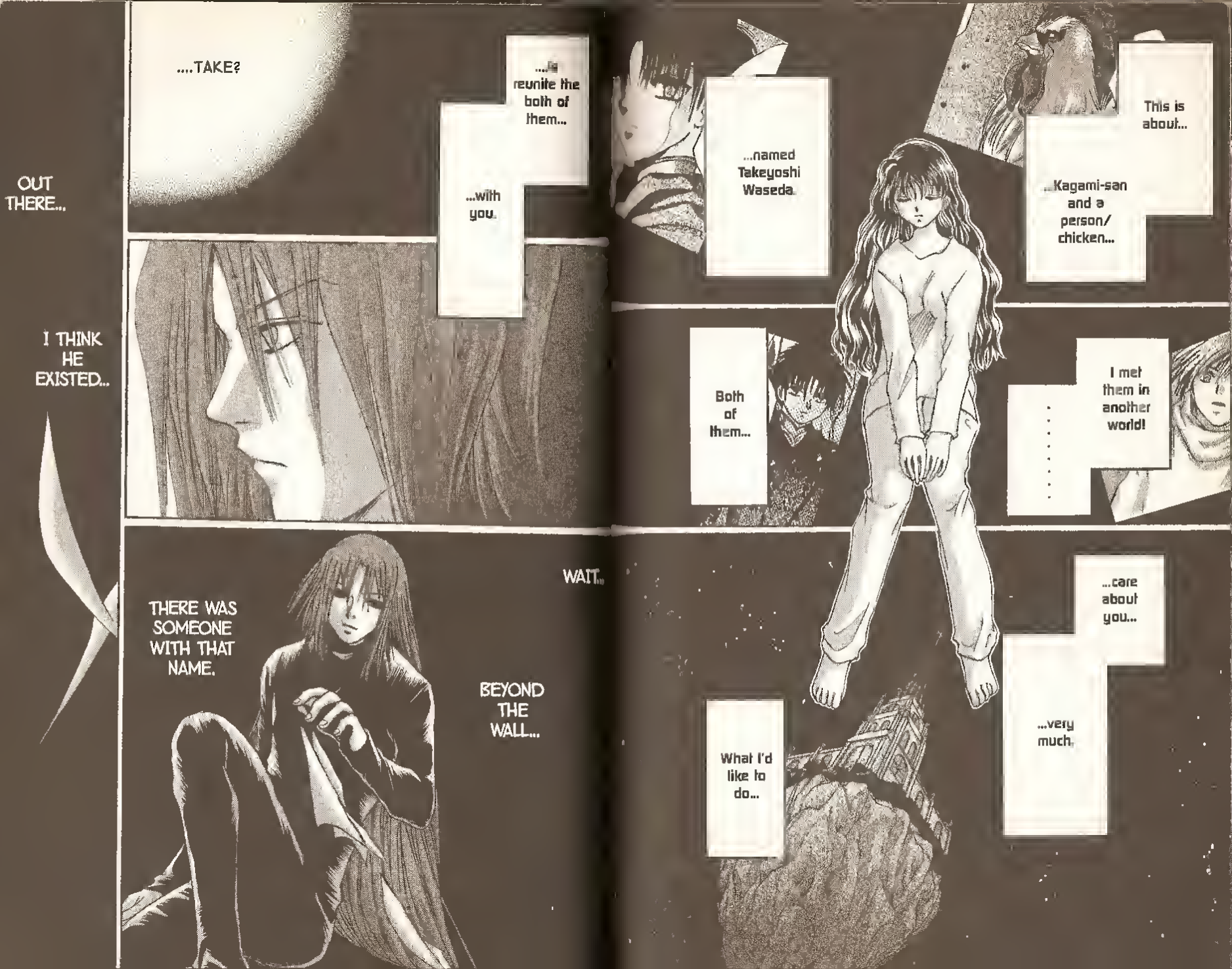

I DON'T BELIEVE...
REPLACE HIS DEAR FRIEND..
NO.
MY PRINCE COULD LET A MERE DOLL...

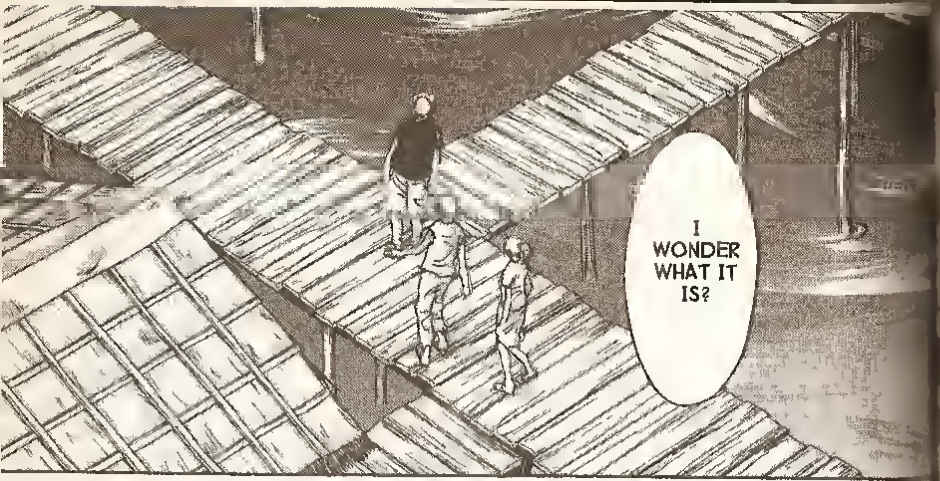
SO ANYWAYS...
PLEASE READ THIS VERY, VERY SLOWLY.

I KNOW THAT IF I TALK TO YOU TOO MUCH YOU'LL FREAK OUT, SO I DECIDED TO WRITE INSTEAD!

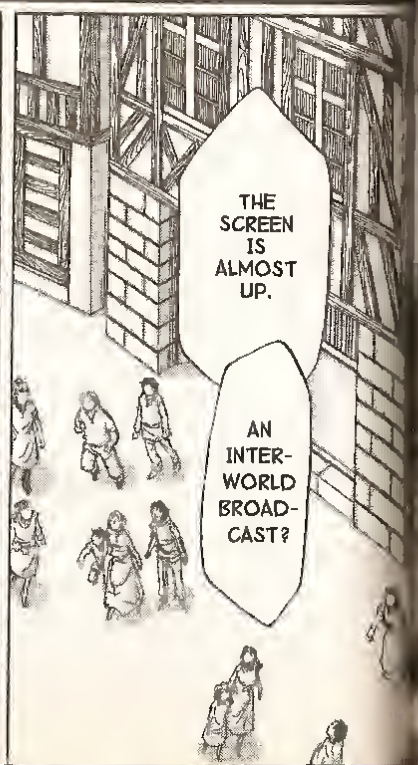
DEAR SEIJ

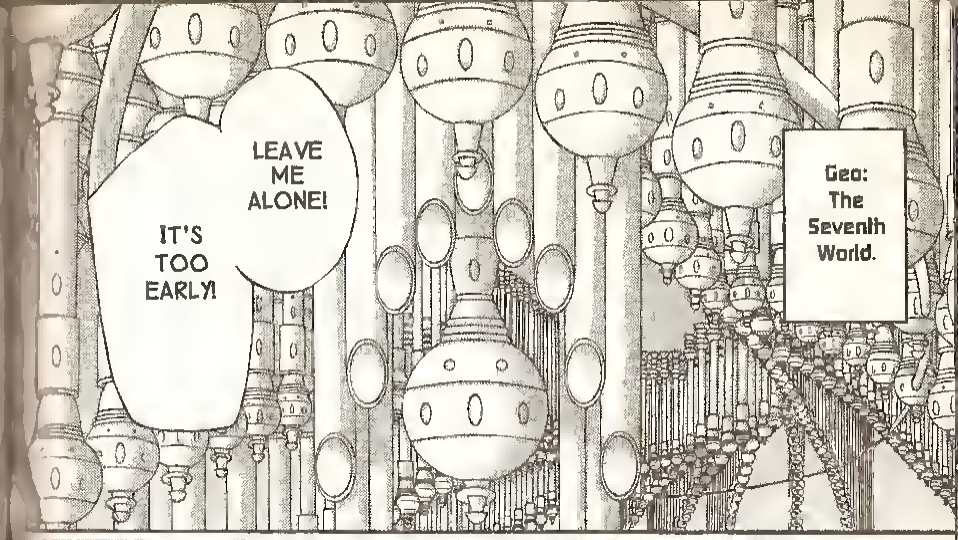

AND AS IT WAS SO LONG AGO.
WILL EVER TOUCH YOU AGAIN.
NO ONE...

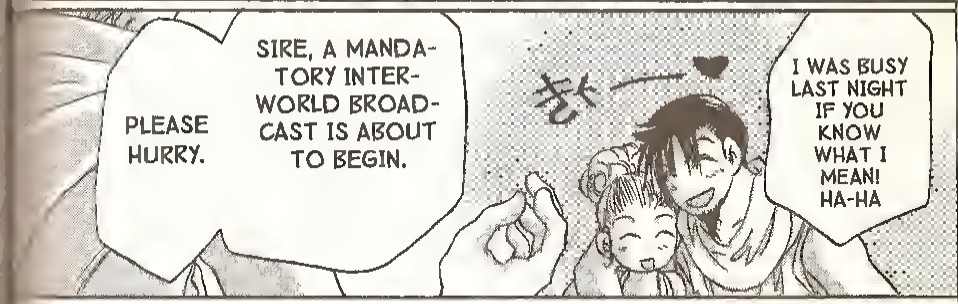

OUT THERE...
I THINK HE EXISTED...
....TAKE?
...reunite the both of them...
...with you.
THERE WAS SOMEONE WITH THAT NAME.
WAIT.
BEYOND THE WALL...
...named Takeyoshi Waseda.
This is about...
...Kagami-san and a person/ chicken...
Both of them...
I met them in another world!
.....
What I'd like to do...
...care about you...
...very much.

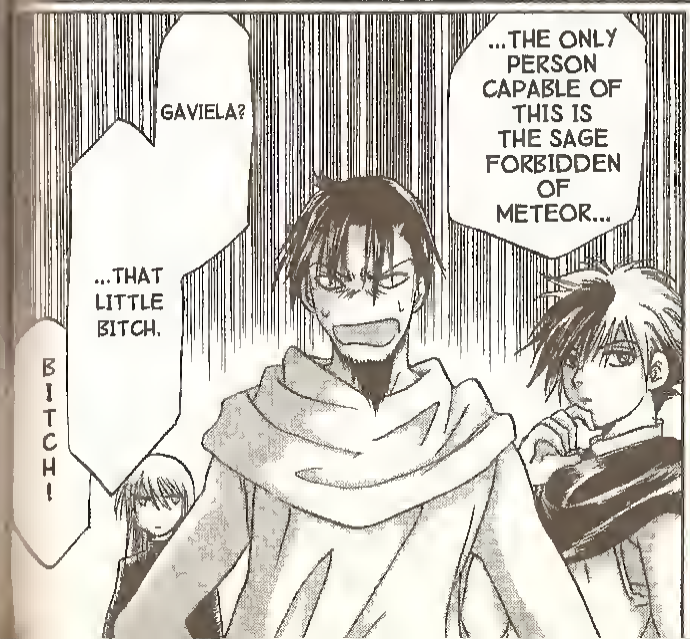


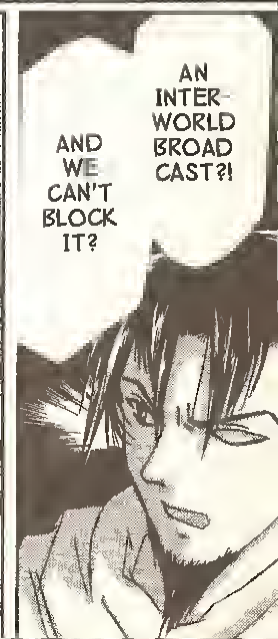
Telene: The Fourth World.



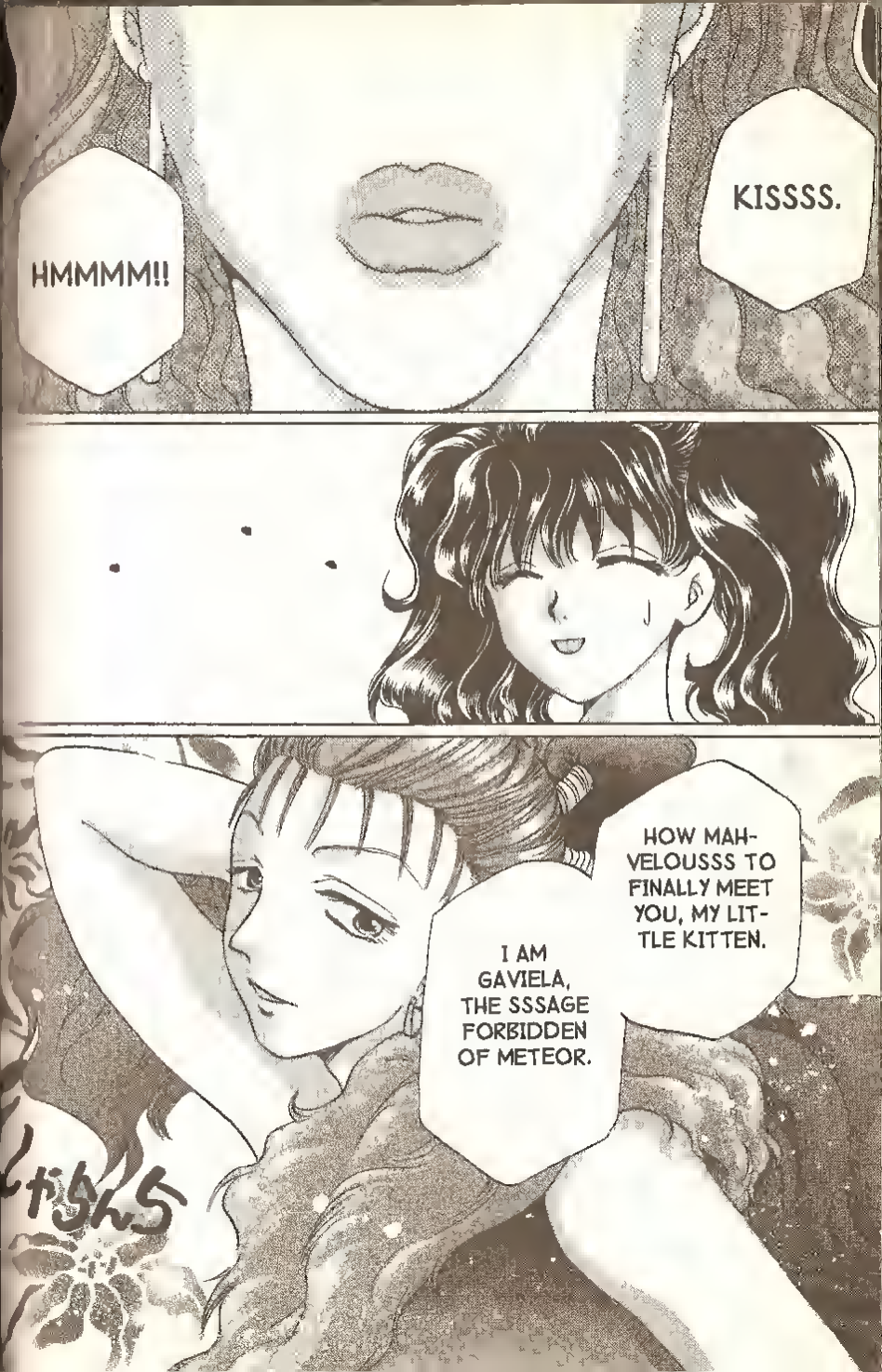

Geo: The Seventh World.
LEAVE ME ALONE!
IT'S TOO EARLY!

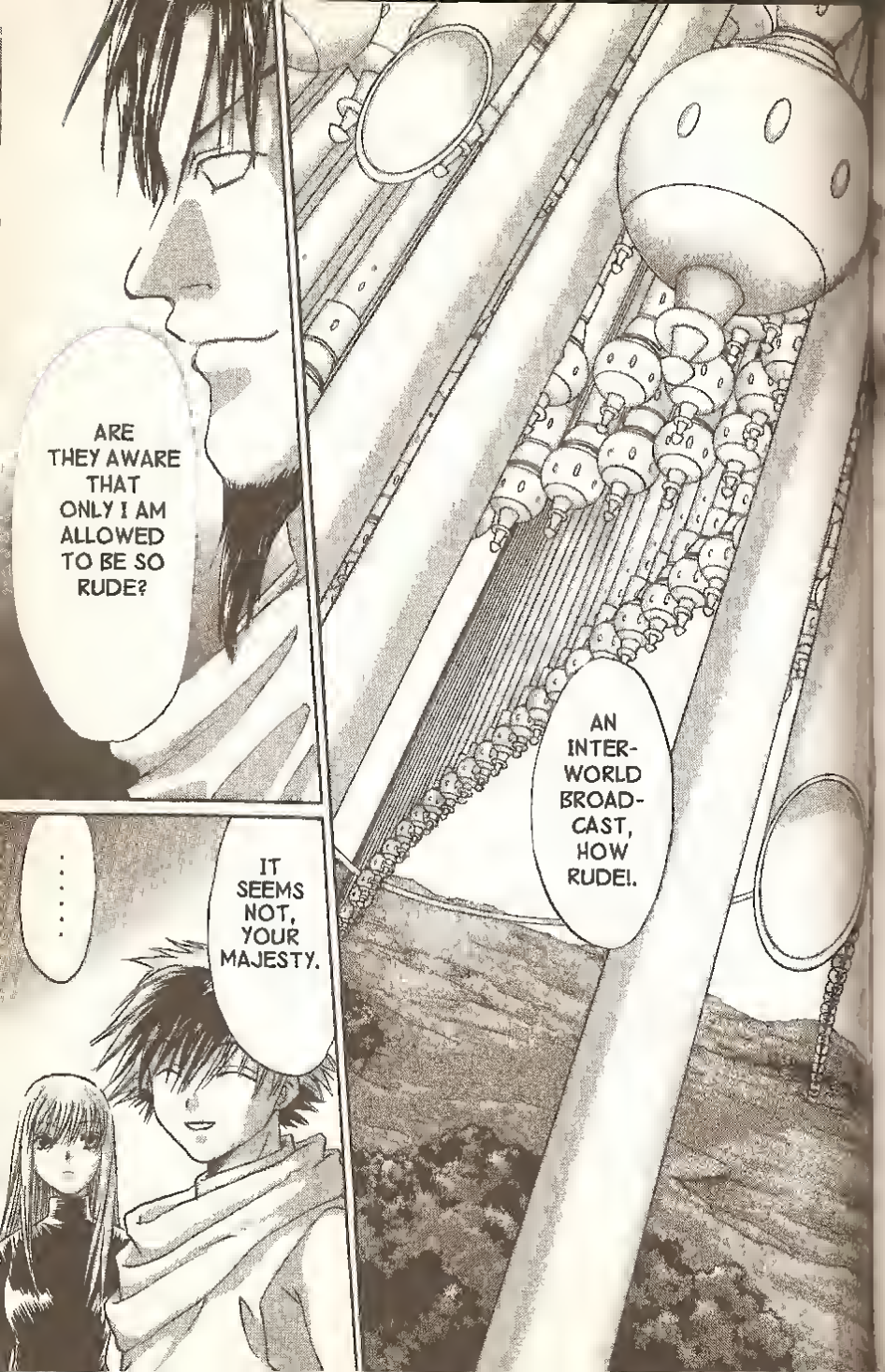

SIRE, A MANDATORY INTER-WORLD BROADCAST IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.
PLEASE HURRY.
I WAS BUSY LAST NIGHT IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN! HA-HA

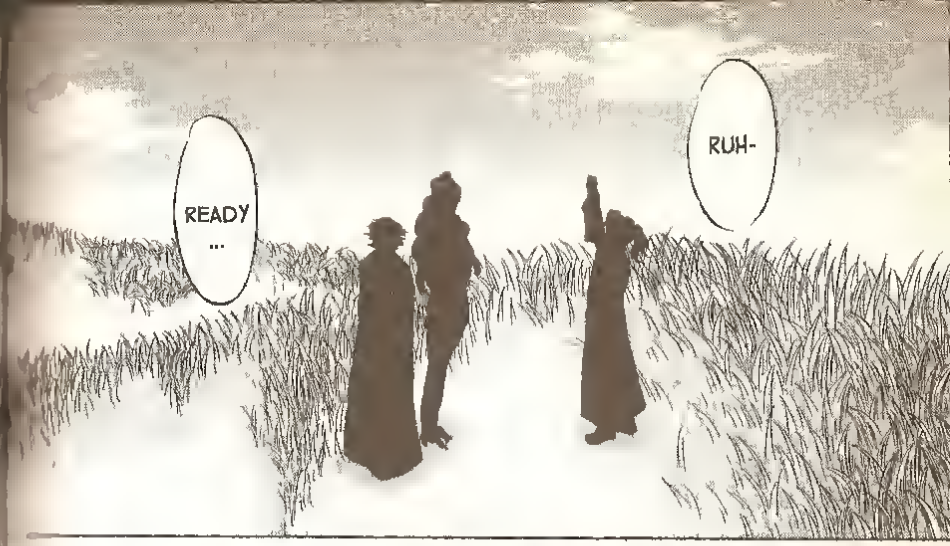

...THE ONLY PERSON CAPABLE OF THIS IS THE SAGE FORBIDDEN OF METEOR...
GAVIELA?
...THAT LITTLE BITCH.
BITCH!


AN INTER-WORLD BROAD CAST?!
AND WE CAN'T BLOCK IT?

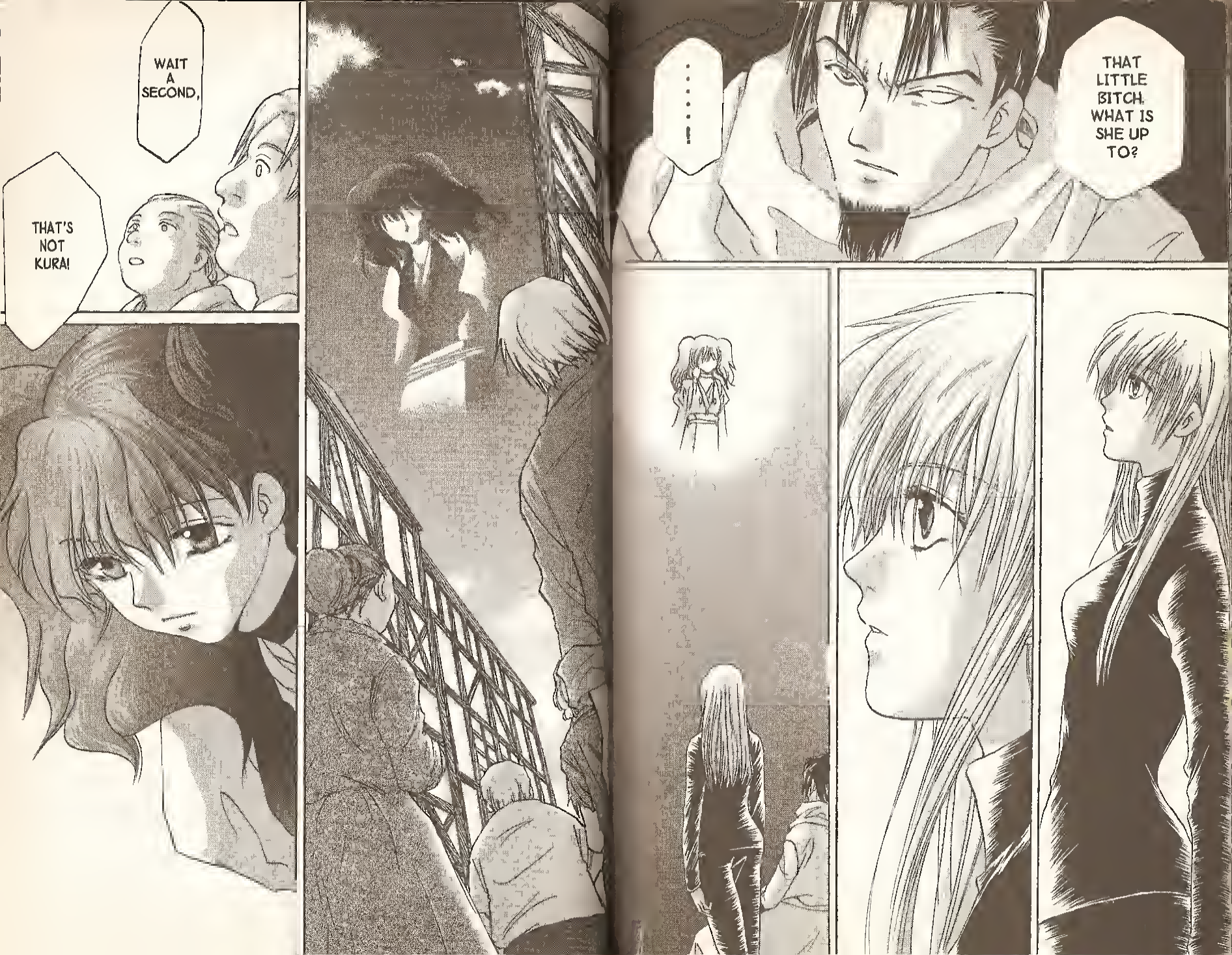
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES SHE'S REBORN, SHE STAYS CONSTANT.
LA LA LA LA!
UH, KAY...
ARE YOU READY...
...FOR YOUR HEART-WRENCHING PERFORM-ANCE?
SSSSS-OH?...
...ARE YA READY?
YOU ARE SO ADORABLE LITTLE KAGUYA-HONEY-BABY!
UMM...

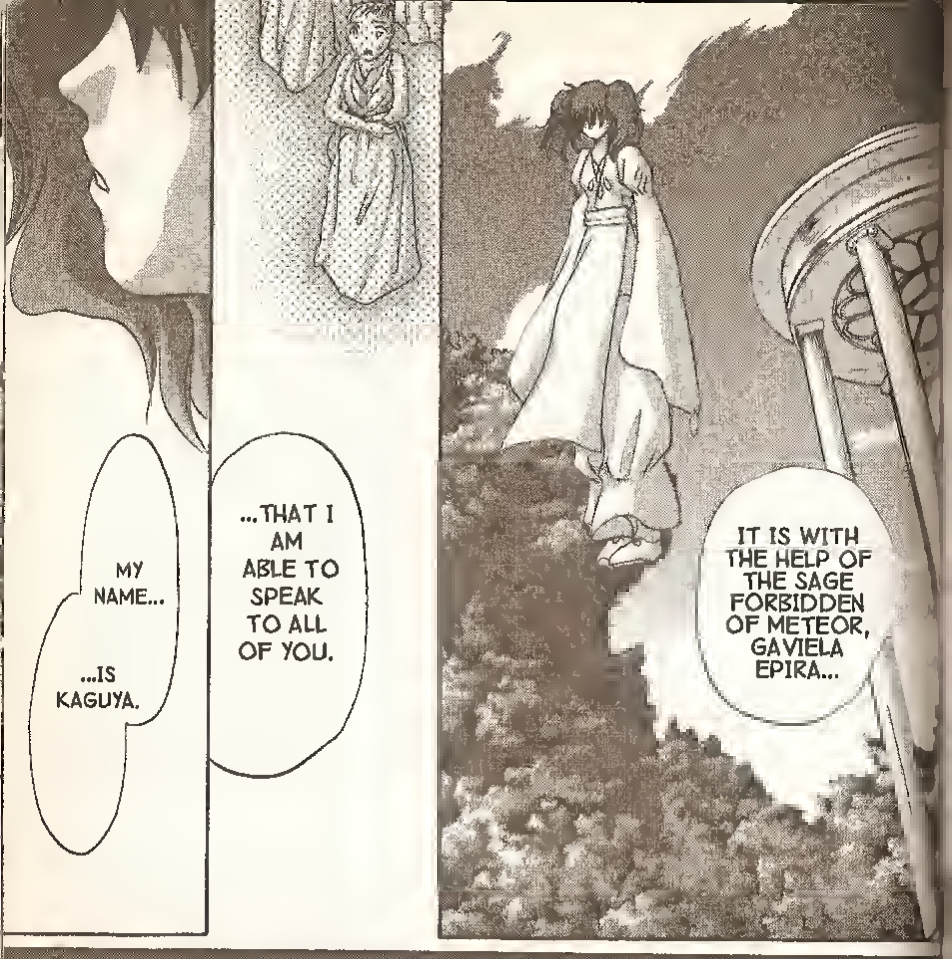

HMMMM!!
KISSSS.
HOW MAH-VELOUSSS TO FINALLY MEET YOU, MY LIT-TLE KITTEN.
I AM GAVIELA, THE SSSAGE FORBIDDEN OF METEOR.

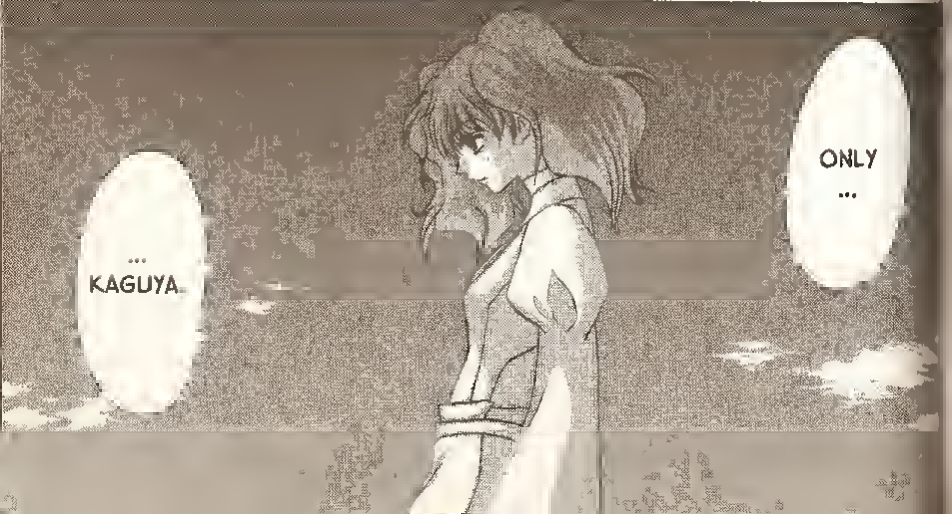

ARE THEY AWARE THAT ONLY I AM ALLOWED TO BE SO RUDE?
AN INTER-WORLD BROAD-CAST, HOW RUDE!.
IT SEEMS NOT, YOUR MAJESTY.
.....

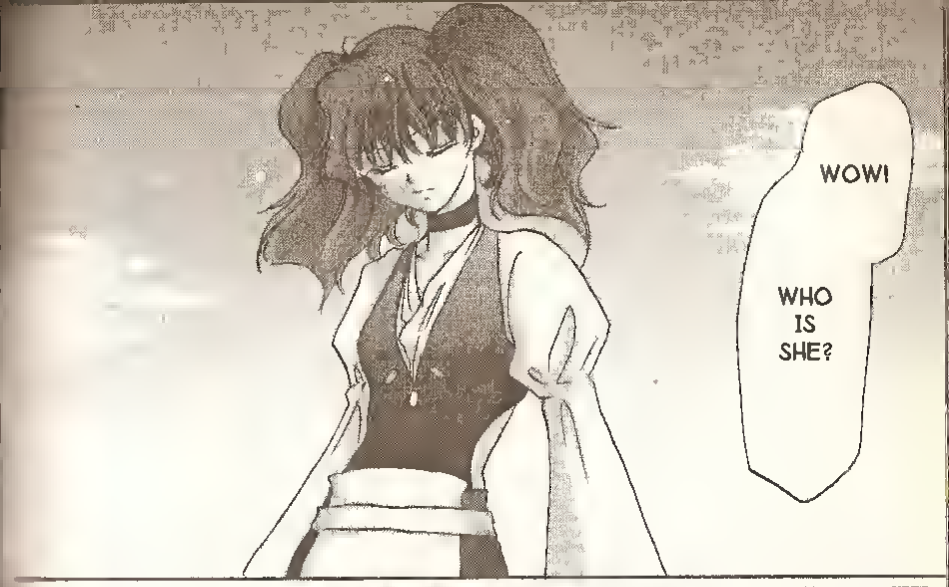

READY ...
RUH-

OKAY, SO THIS IS THE FIRST THING I GOTTA DO.


WAIT A SECOND,
THAT'S NOT KURA!
.....!
THAT LITTLE BITCH. WHAT IS SHE UP TO?


MY NAME...
...IS KAGUYA.
...THAT I AM ABLE TO SPEAK TO ALL OF YOU.
IT IS WITH THE HELP OF THE SAGE FORBIDDEN OF METEOR, GAVIELA EPIRA...

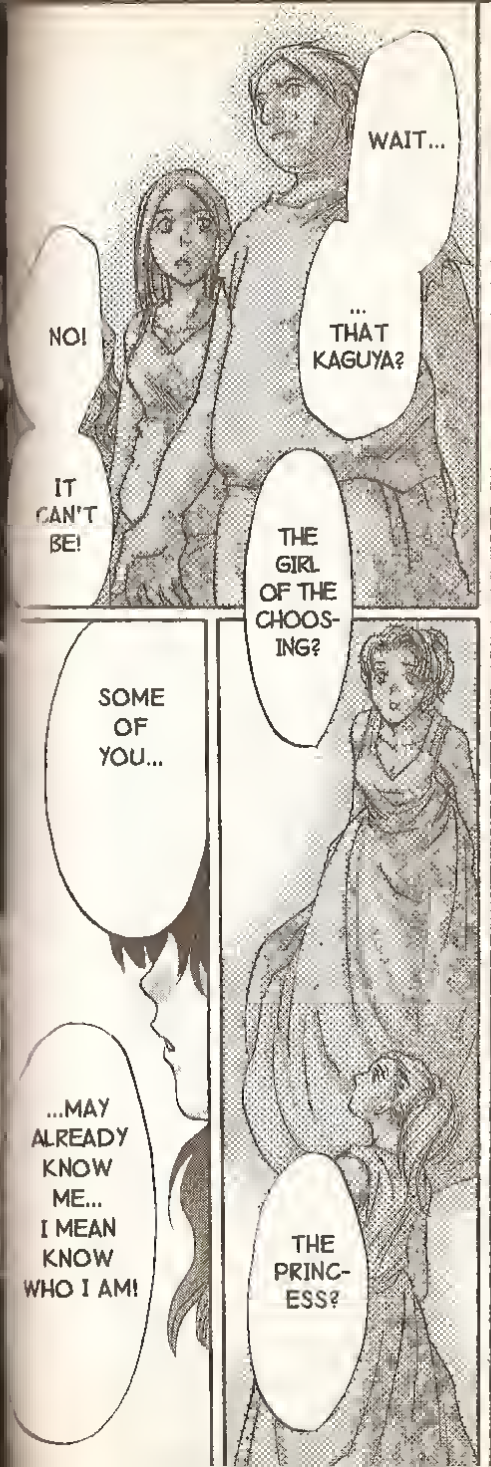

...
KAGUYA.
ONLY ...


WOW!
WHO IS SHE?

SO PRETTY.
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG GIRL.

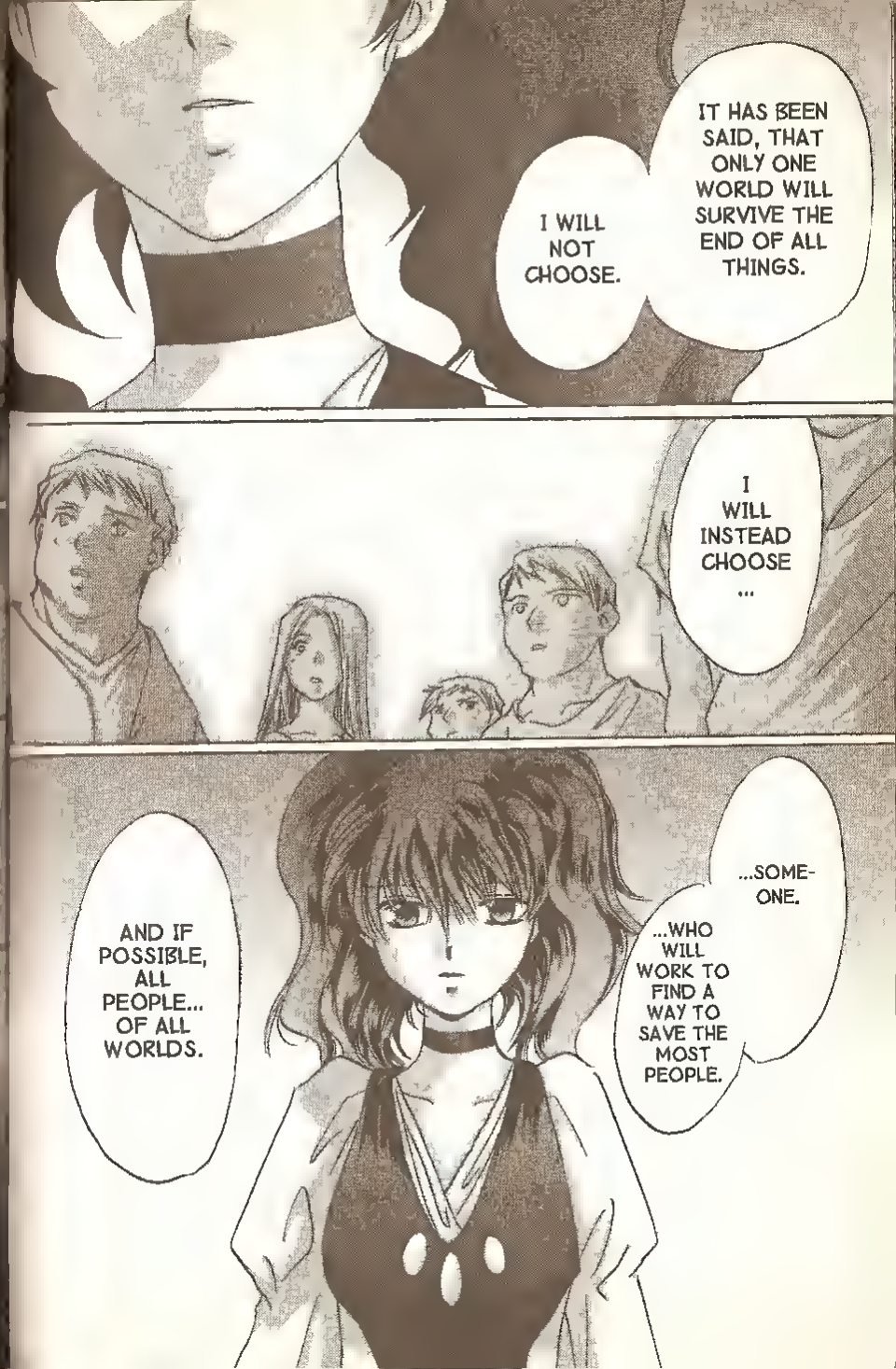
HELLO EVERY-ONE...
...IT'S VERY NICE TO MEET YOU.

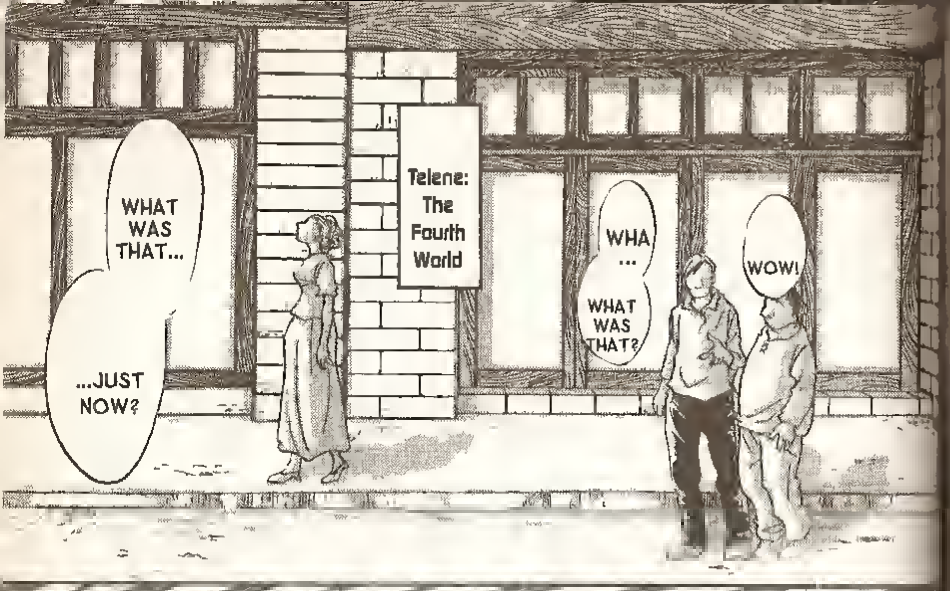
...WITH ALL OF YOU.
THERE IS SOMETHING THAT I MUST DISCUSS...
...I KNOW WHAT THE LEGEND SAYS, BUT...
I WILL NOT CHOOSE ONE WORLD TO SAVE.
...THAT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS IN THE UNIVERSE ...
...I'M AFRAID ...


WAIT...
... THAT KAGUYA?
NO! IT CAN'T BE!
THE GIRL OF THE CHOOSING?
SOME OF YOU...
...MAY ALREADY KNOW ME... I MEAN KNOW WHO I AM!
THE PRINCESS?

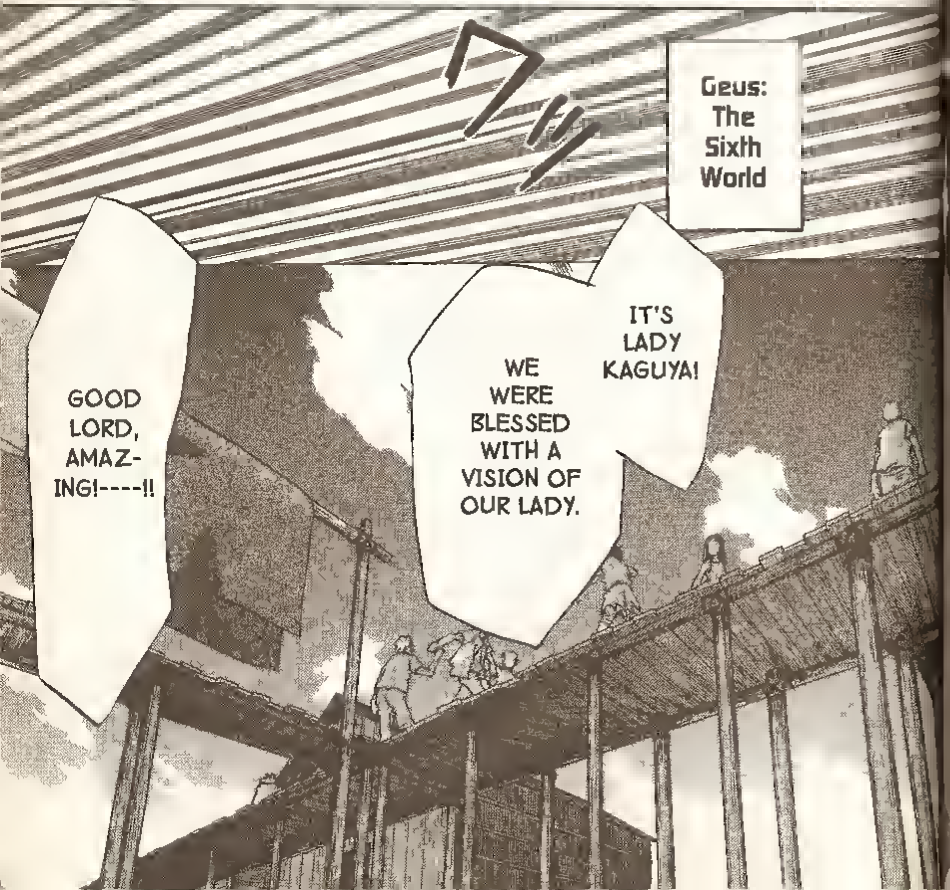
KAGUYA?

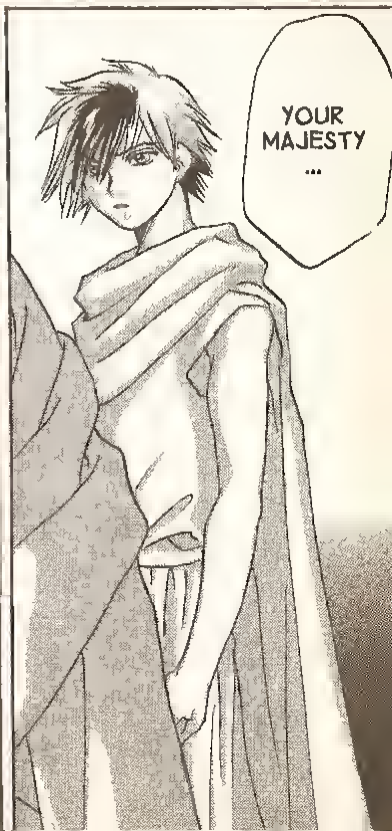
...THAT SOME-ONE LIKE THIS EXISTS.
AND I TRULY BELIEVE ....
AND I HOPE THAT SOME-DAY SOON...

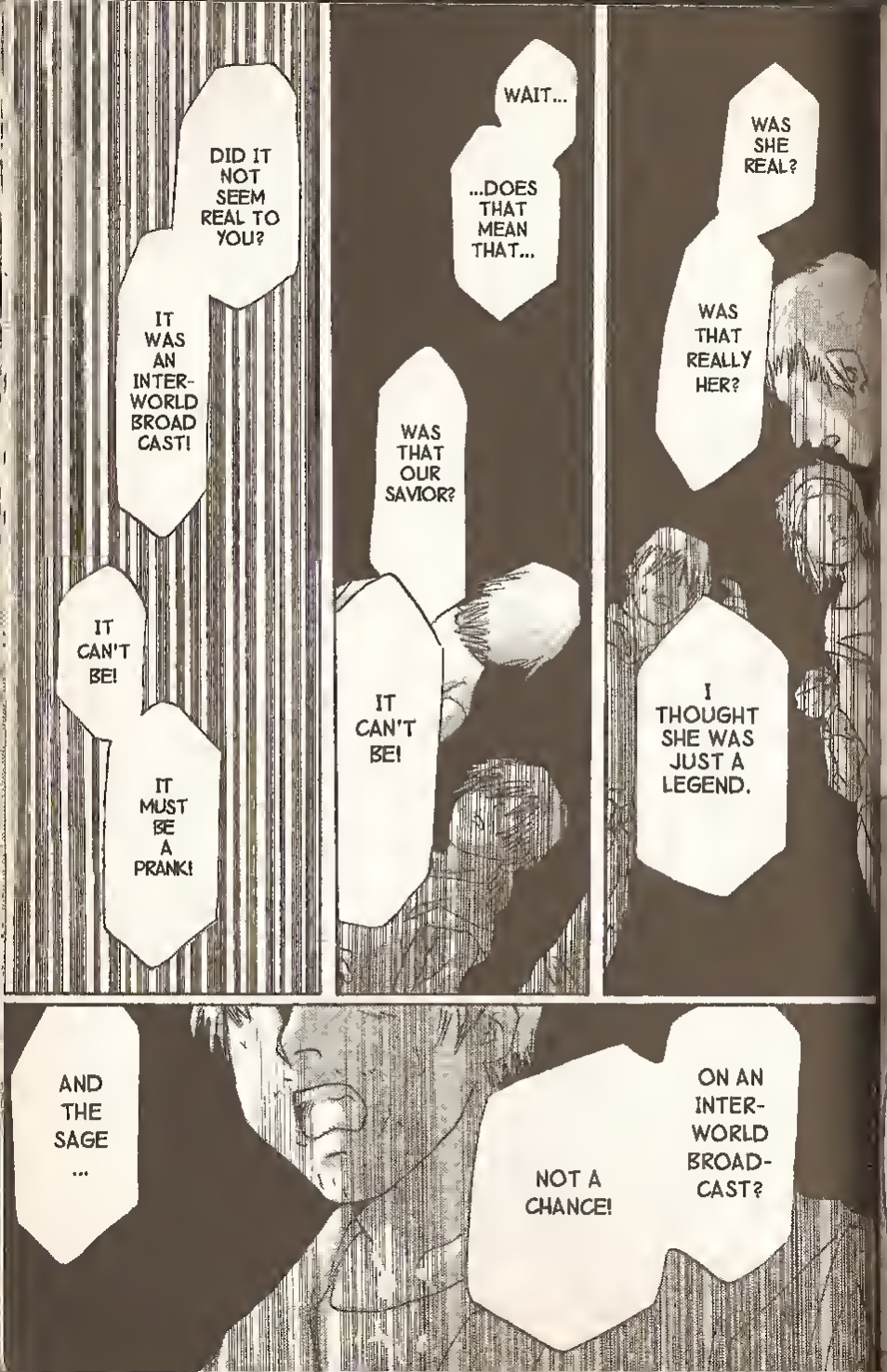

IT HAS BEEN SAID, THAT ONLY ONE WORLD WILL SURVIVE THE END OF ALL THINGS.
I WILL NOT CHOOSE.
I WILL INSTEAD CHOOSE ...
...SOME-ONE.
...WHO WILL WORK TO FIND A WAY TO SAVE THE MOST PEOPLE.
AND IF POSSIBLE, ALL PEOPLE... OF ALL WORLDS.

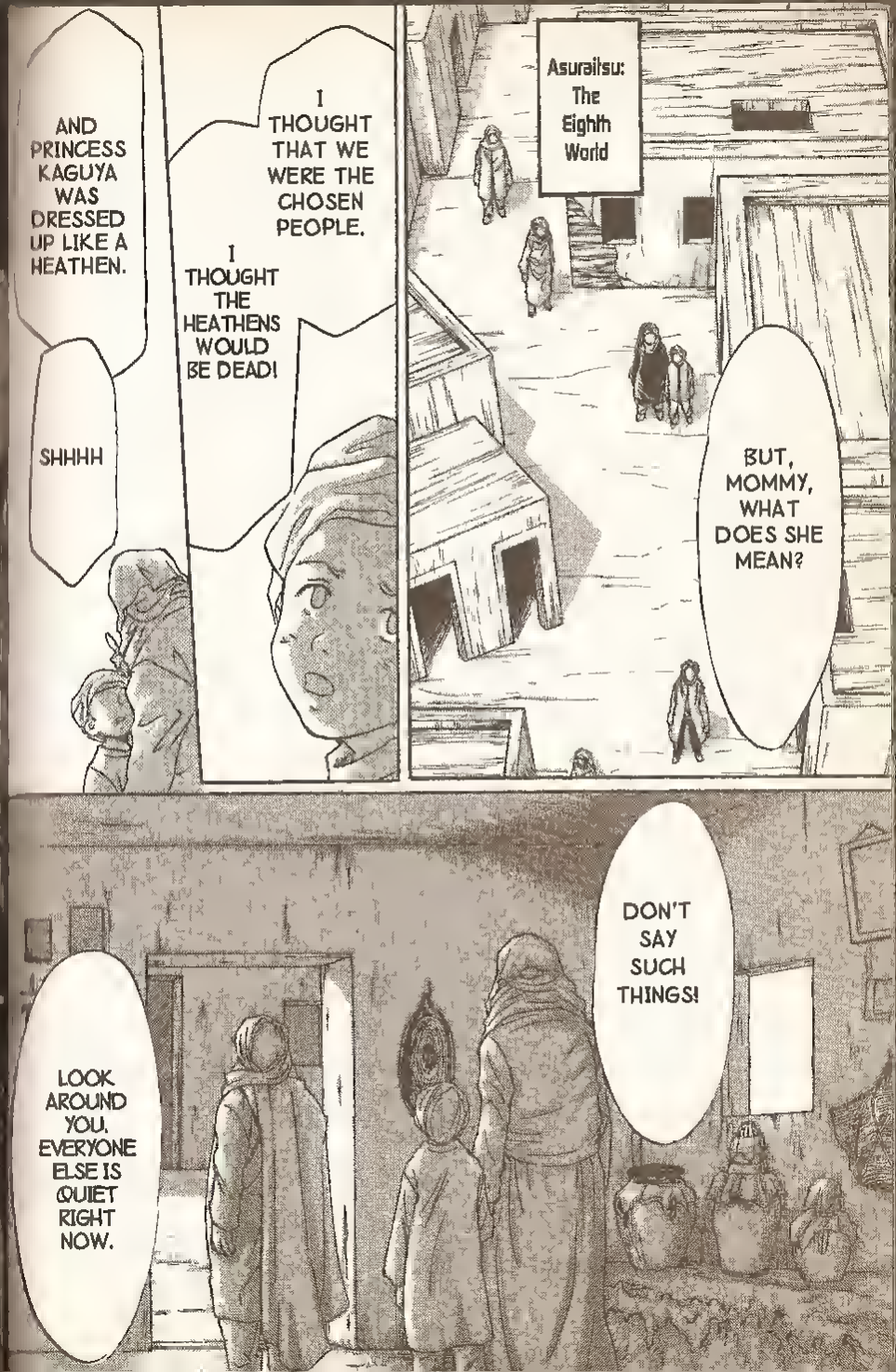

WHAT WAS THAT...
...JUST NOW?
Telene: The Fourth World
WHA...
WHAT WAS THAT?
WOW!

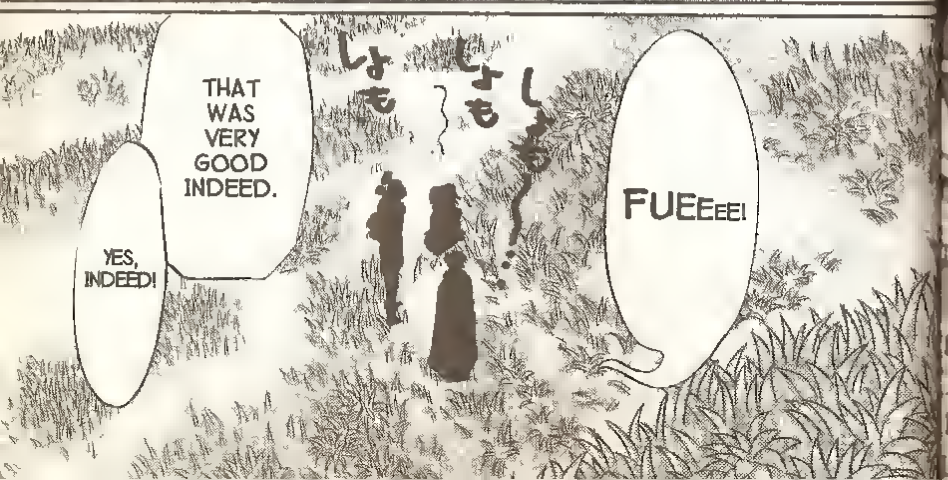
...I WILL SEE THEM ONCE AGAIN.

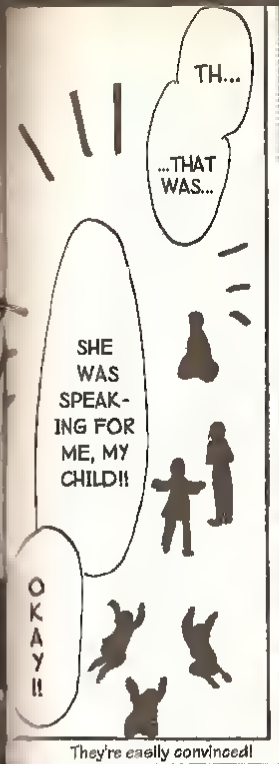

Geus: The Sixth World
GOOD LORD, AMAZ-ING!----!!
WE WERE BLESSED WITH A VISION OF OUR LADY.
IT'S LADY KAGUYA!

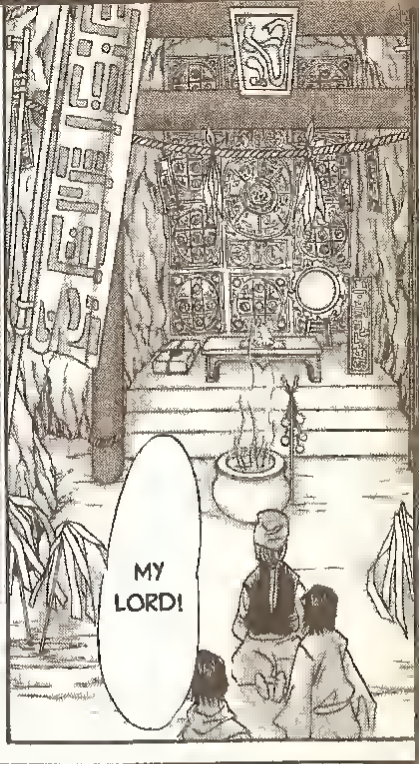

YOUR MAJESTY...


DID IT NOT SEEM REAL TO YOU?
IT WAS AN INTER-WORLD BROAD CAST!
IT CAN'T BE!
IT MUST BE A PRANK!
WAIT...
...DOES THAT MEAN THAT...
WAS THAT OUR SAVIOR?
IT CAN'T BE!
WAS SHE REAL?
WAS THAT REALLY HER?
I THOUGHT SHE WAS JUST A LEGEND.
AND THE SAGE ...
NOT A CHANCE!
ON AN INTER-WORLD BROAD-CAST?

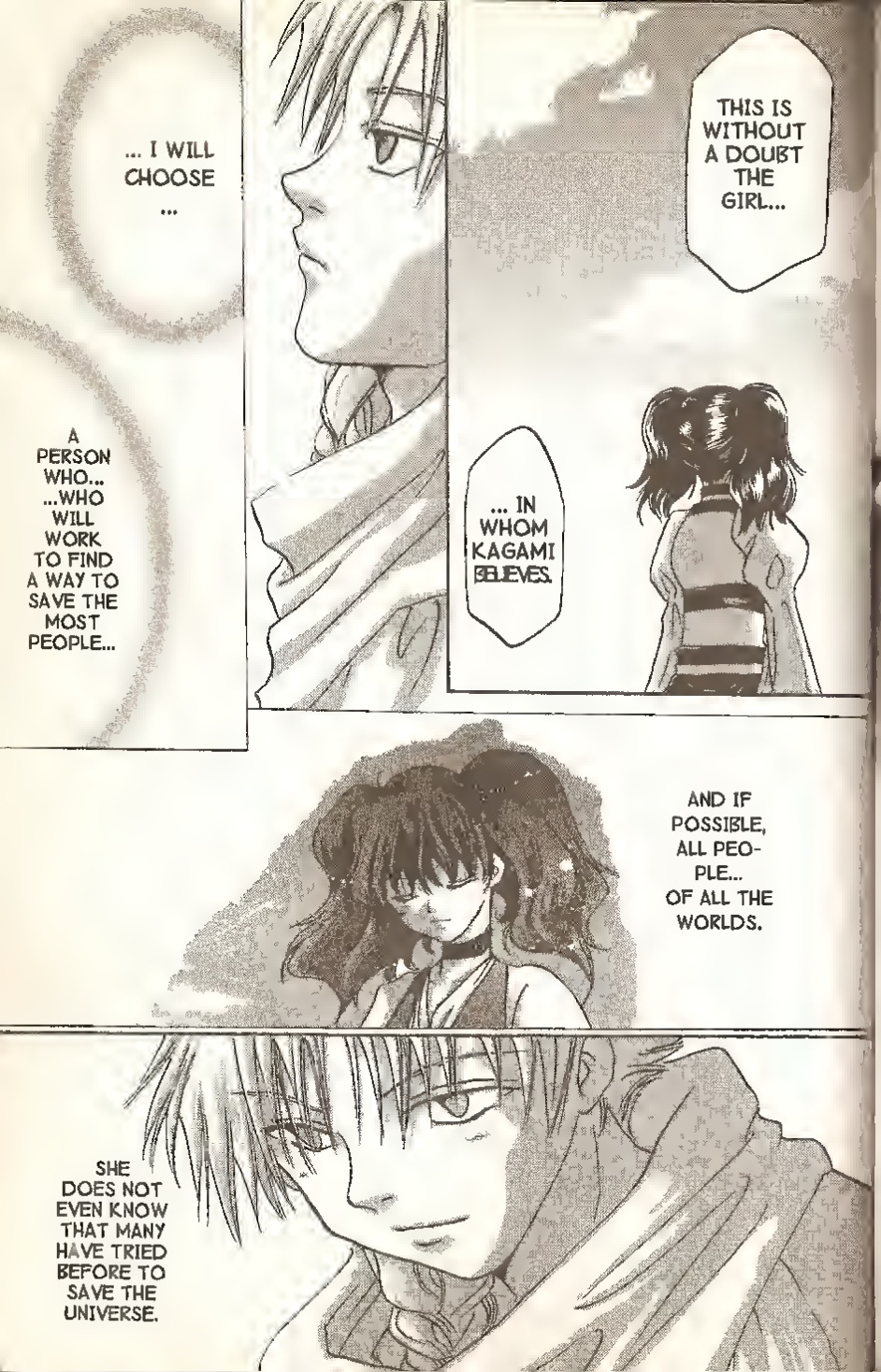

AND PRINCESS KAGUYA WAS DRESSED UP LIKE A HEATHEN.
SHHHH
I THOUGHT THAT WE WERE THE CHOSEN PEOPLE.
I THOUGHT THE HEATHENS WOULD BE DEAD!
Asuraitsu: The Eighth World
BUT, MOMMY, WHAT DOES SHE MEAN?
LOOK AROUND YOU. EVERYONE ELSE IS QUIET RIGHT NOW.
DON'T SAY SUCH THINGS!







They're easily convinced!


... I WILL CHOOSE ...
A PERSON WHO... ...WHO WILL WORK TO FIND A WAY TO SAVE THE MOST PEOPLE...
THIS IS WITHOUT A DOUBT THE GIRL...
... IN WHOM KAGAMI BELIEVES.
AND IF POSSIBLE, ALL PEOPLE... OF ALL THE WORLDS.
SHE DOES NOT EVEN KNOW THAT MANY HAVE TRIED BEFORE TO SAVE THE UNIVERSE.

A PERFECT DEBUT...
...AND A PROCLAMATION OF WAR.
I TOLD THE PRINCESS TO SPEAK FROM HER HEART.
I SEE.
AGREED! A LOVELY SPEECH! WHO WROTE IT?
WAS IT YOU, MESHIE? DON'T BE SHY!
...NO...

I PROMISE.
DON'T WORRY, MESHIE ...
...I WON'T LET HIM DIE.
I THOUGHT ...
...IF ONLY HE HAD SURVIVED ...
...PERHAPS HE COULD HAVE SAVED THE WORLDS.
WHEN I SAW SEEU DIE...
...IT WAS HEART-BREAK-ING.
HE WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO DIE.

HE AND KAGUYA WILL LIVE...

...YOU'LL SEE!

I WILL BRING THEM TOGE-THER...

...THE TWO KEYS TO UNLOCK SALVA-TION.

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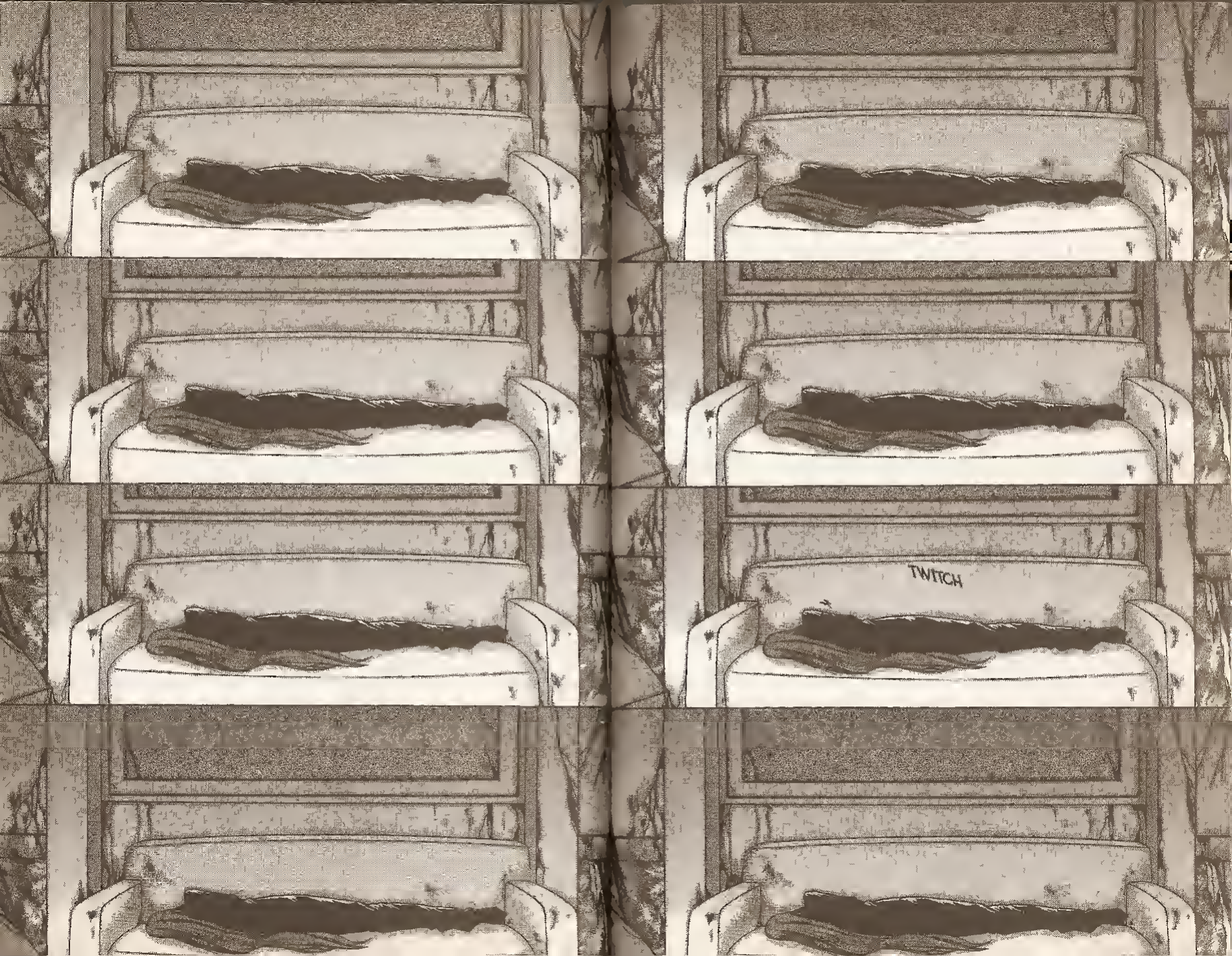
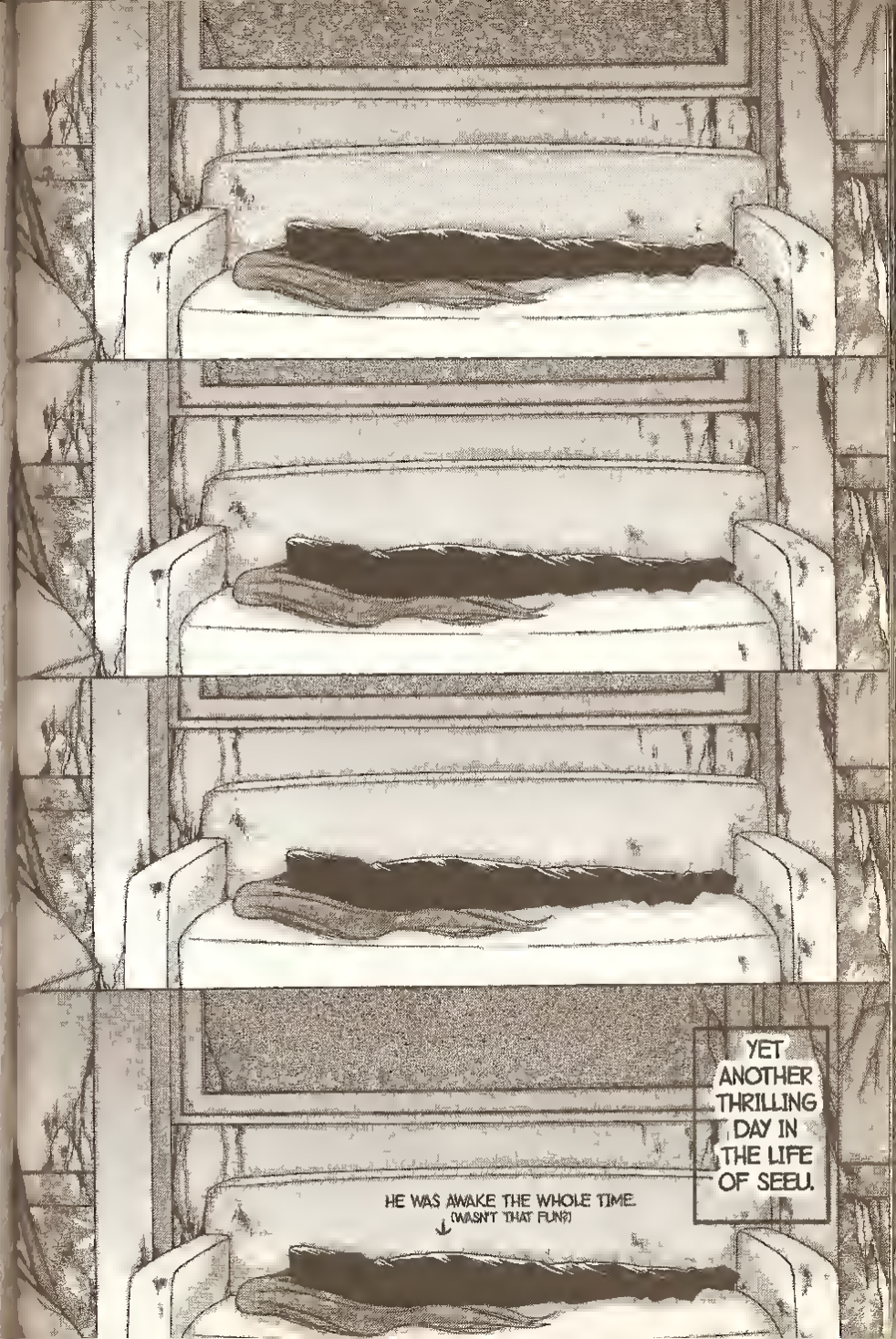
THIS IS AN EXTREMELY BORING MANGA.
BONUS COMIC.
THIS IS YOUR ONLY WARNING...


TWITCH


YET ANOTHER THRILLING DAY IN THE LIFE OF SEEU.
HE WAS AWAKE THE WHOLE TIME.
(WASN'T THAT FUN?)